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## Youth Parley Scores Attacks On Communists

Geneva, Wis., Delegates Also Condemn Youth Conscription

BACK POLL TAX BILL

Red-Baiting Drive Seen as Threat to Civil Rights of All

By Robert G. Epstein  
(Special to the Daily Worker)

COLLEGE CAMP, Wis., July 7.—Strong condemnation of the present drive against the civil liberties of members of the Communist Party was voiced last night in the report of the Civil Liberties Commission of the American Youth Congress because, "history has proven that the persecution of Communists is followed by the persecution of all peoples organizations."

The report urged the delegates to mobilize against "the growing tendency of our federal, state and local governments to deprive sections of our population of their civil and political rights and jobs, because the denial of rights to any one group endangers the rights of all."

Reaffirming their belief that the primary task of the American people "is to extend and protect our democracy," the commission also condemned the creation of war hysteria and fifth column talk as "a smoke screen behind which such groups as the Associated Farmers, the Chambers of Commerce, National Association of Manufacturers and other intensify their drive often manifesting itself in vigilante terrorism, against the civil liberties of the American people."

BACK ANTI-LYNCH BILL

To the applause of the entire Congress, the report demanded the immediate passage of the anti-lynching bill and the Geyer anti-poll tax bill, declaring "the shameful treatment of the Negroes in this country, subjected to persecution, discrimination and lynching, both open and underground, and denied the right to vote."

The report on civil liberties was delivered by Samuel Friedman of New York, member of the Youth Division of the American Jewish Congress, who received the overwhelming approval of the Congress when he called for the condemnation of Dr. Stephen S. Wise and other executive board members of the Jewish Congress for expelling their Youth Division for supporting the policies of the American Youth Congress.

Keynote of the sober, serious way in which youth tackled its problems was struck by James Durkin, delegate from the United Office and Professional Workers, who was chairman of the Jobs Commission. Looking down on the press table, Durkin said "if there is a story at this Congress, it is the story of the young people who have come to the Congress from all over the country to discuss and solve together the mutual problems of youth."

REJECT CONSCRIPTION

The jobs panel recognized unanimously the futility of "munitions booms" as a solution to the unemployment shared by the four to five million youth in the country. They rejected emphatically the idea of conscription at five dollars a month, and registered strong opposition to the establishment of labor battalions here.

The Commission recommended the "expansion of NYA, CCC, and WPA, under democratic civilian control, strengthening of the Wage Hour, Walsh Healey and National Labor Relations Acts, a great government housing program, the extension and liberalization of the Social Security Act, increased provision for vocational guidance and training under democratic supervision and the fight for the thirty hour week."

The report supported the six hour day, thirty hour week with no reduction in pay "to make room in

Ask Hearings On Bridges Ouster Attempt

Public hearings on the Senate bill of "attainder" ordering the deportation of Harry Bridges, West Coast maritime leader, were asked yesterday by the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, 79 Fifth Ave. In a letter to Senator Lewis B. Schwellenbach of Washington.

## Issue Call For City CIO Union Council

Unions, Joint Councils to Meet July 24th at Hotel McAlpin

Allan S. Haywood, national director of the Congress of Industrial Organizations, has issued a call for all local unions, joint boards and district councils affiliated with the CIO in New York to meet Wednesday, July 24, in the roof ballroom of the Hotel McAlpin for the purpose of setting up a Greater New York Industrial Union Council.

The industrial union council will correspond with the long established Central Trades and Labor Council of A. F. of L. unions in the city. CIO industrial union councils have been established during the past three years in virtually every important center in the country.

It is expected that the New York CIO city council, which will have a representation for between 350,000 to 400,000 local unionists, will meet twice each month to coordinate CIO activities especially in organizing drives and the prosecution of strikes or boycotts against unfair employers.

HAYWOOD'S STATEMENT

In the meeting call, Mr. Haywood said:

"The creation of a CIO Industrial Union Council is of vital importance to every member, every local and every national or international union located in the Greater New York area. The need for such an institution has long been felt. Properly administered, a local Council can and will be of insurmountable value and service to all of organized labor and the community generally, particularly in these crucial times."

"In a time of hysteria, the forces of reaction are today determined to drive labor backward and destroy, if they can, the rights and liberties attained by our people after many years of hard struggle and great sacrifice. Uniting of CIO unions in this area can and will go a long way in coordinating labor's efforts and directing labor's energies in a manner that will enable us to resist these reactionary forces, protect our cherished liberties, and advance the interests of those who toil."

The basis for representation for

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## Millions Sign Up for New Soviet Loan

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, July 7.—Ten and a half million citizens of the Soviet Union have already signed up for the new Soviet loan by July 6.

The sum taken up in the Republic reached 1,584,076,000 rubles. This is 163,000,000 rubles more than the maximum sum taken up last year.

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## Jugoslavian Envoys Arrive In Soviet Union

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, July 7.—The Jugoslavian diplomatic mission headed by Envoys Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary E. M. Gavrilovich arrived today in Moscow. The Jugoslavians, whose arrival here marks the resumption of diplomatic ties between the Soviet Union and the Serb, Croat, Slovene kingdom, were met at the station by Chief of the Protocol Department of the Peoples Commissariat of Foreign Affairs Barkev.

## French Fleet's Fate Rests on Crew Plebiscite

Sailors Fraternize with British as Vote Is Conducted

ALEXANDRIA, July 7 (UP).—The fate of the French fleet in Alexandria harbor—whether it should join the British against Germany or risk being sent to the bottom by British guns should it elect to run for home—tonight rested on the outcome of a plebiscite among its men.

Although the plebiscite is not yet complete, it was reported that a ship arrived Friday to transport to France those who wished to return. On shore leave, French sailors fraternized with British sailors, indicating that British authorities were confident that the matter could be settled amicably and that Britain's warships would not have to turn their guns on the French battleships here.

(The London Daily Mail said in an undated dispatch that although French vessels at Alexandria were

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## Ciano and Hitler Confer In Berlin

BERLIN, July 7 (UP).—Count Galeazzo Ciano, Italian Foreign Minister, and Chancellor Adolf Hitler began conferences here today.

Ciano, No. 2 fascist and son-in-law of Premier Benito Mussolini, conferred with the Fuehrer from 12:30 to 2:15 P.M. in Hitler's study at the German Chancellery in the presence of Foreign Minister Joachim von Ribbentrop, Dino Alfieri, Italian Ambassador to Berlin, and Hans Georg von Mackensen, German Ambassador to Rome.

Germany and Italy were reported authoritatively tonight to be weighing the possibility of giving Japan special privileges in French Indo-China and the Dutch East Indies.

At the same time the German

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## Waves of Planes in All-Day Raid On Britain

British Retaliate with Attacks on Nazi Bases in Norway, Germany

LONDON, July 7 (UP).—Waves of low-flying German raiders swept the northeast and south coasts of the British Isles from dawn until dusk today with bombing attacks which killed at least five persons and shattered numerous houses.

Several persons were injured when the harbingers of Adolf Hitler's blitzkrieg spread over the south coast. One shop was demolished and eight houses were blasted to splinters.

Three low-flying planes swooped down on a southwest coastal town, unloosed from 20 to 30 bombs which killed one man but caused only "slight" material damage.

The Air Ministry reported that three German Dornier "flying pencils" had been shot down. Two were brought down by Royal Air Force fighters and the third was shot down by anti-aircraft batteries.

Prompt anti-aircraft action prevented the raids from developing into important attacks, the Air Ministry said.

BRITISH RAID BERGEN

As the German planes converged on Britain from bases in France and the Low Countries, British bombers struck at Nazi military objectives in Norway and set fire to fuel stocks at Bergen.

The Admiralty announced that the British submarine snapper attacked two convoys of supply ships escorted by armed German trawlers and aircraft off the Norwegian coast. Five of the ships were torpedoed, it was said.

Downing of two German bombers over Britain brought to four the total for the past 24 hours and gave the Royal Air Force and ground batteries a grand total of 39 for a period of 19 days covering start of the mass air raids by the Germans.

In addition, two Messerschmitt fighters were believed to have been shot down in a dog-fight high over the Channel. One German plane was seen plummeting toward the sea, engine smoking, and the second was rapidly losing height when lost from view.

Sunday strollers in many places in Britain heard the distant fire of anti-aircraft batteries and some explosions. Sometimes there was machine gun fire from high altitudes.

DRIVEN OFF

Some of the German planes were driven off when they attempted to raid one northeast town. It was said no military objectives were reached.

The raids were lighter than heretofore, according to first reports.

In the British attacks on the German base at Bergen, it was reported that oil tanks and tankers were subjected to a series of heavy dive-bombing attacks by the fleet's air arm.

The attacks were "pressed home," an Admiralty communiqué said, in spite of strong resistance by ground forces.

The British planes reported that as they turned for home tanks were afire and that "a greater part of the target area was obscured by thick, black smoke from burning oil fuel."

The Admiralty said that all British planes returned safely.

Other Royal Air force planes bombed shipyards at Bremen and Kiel and attacked an arms depot at Emden, an Air Ministry communiqué said.

German seaplane bases at Nordernay and Dornum also were reported bombed as well as Brunsbuttel, entrance to the Kiel Canal. Two British planes are missing from the raid into Germany. In addition two coastal command planes, acting as escorts, were shot down by German fighters and their crews rescued by a British warship. Another British plane was missing after a raid into Holland and Belgium and France.

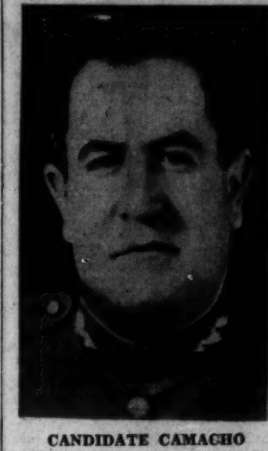
## Farley, F.D.R. Meet In Private Talk

HYDE PARK, N. Y., July 7 (UP).—The political partnership of President Roosevelt and James A. Farley appeared on the verge of dissolution today as the Postmaster General met his chief for a showdown on the third term.

Farley and Mr. Roosevelt conferred privately in the small study of the President's Hyde Park home.

Farley is planning to become president of the New York Yankees baseball club.

## Mexicans in Record Turnout in Election; See Camacho in Lead



CANDIDATE CAMACHO



C.T.M. LEADER TOLEDANO

## British Plane Orders Here Total 1 Billion

Beaverbrook Reveals Immense Quantities from U. S.

LONDON, July 7 (UP).—Great Britain has placed with United States aircraft factories orders exceeding \$1,000,000,000 and more than doubled production of planes in the British Isles, it was announced tonight.

Lord Beaverbrook, Minister of Aircraft Production, said that the American-produced planes arriving in Britain "represent a considerable distribution to our air fleet and if the seas remain as free to us as they are today shipments from America soon will give us additional output every month that will be of real value to us."

"We have bought immensely and increased quantities of aircraft and engines from the United States in recent weeks. The fact that the total value of aircraft orders we have placed with the United States amounts to well over \$1,000,000,000 is significant."

Beaverbrook said that orders totaling \$50,000,000 have been placed with aircraft factories in Canada and added that deliveries are increasing.

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## Torpedoing Of U. S. Ship Is a Hoax

WASHINGTON, July 7 (UP).—The Navy Department tonight denied reports that the United States destroyer Barry had been torpedoed and was sinking off the Spanish coast.

"The Navy Department has received a communication from the Barry," a statement said. "It is not in distress and is safely at anchor in neutral waters."

The Department said the craft, part of the European squadron, had not been attacked.

It communicated with the Barry after Mackay Radio had announced it had intercepted an SOS from the destroyer saying it had been torpedoed by a German submarine.

The SOS said: "United States destroyer Barry, 400 miles off the coast of Spain, sinking slowly. Hit by German submarine, water in already. Can last three hours."

Rear Admiral R. L. Gormley, Assistant Chief of Naval Operations, told reporters that he had contacted the commander of the Barry and said that the destroyer was riding safely at anchor.

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## Pittsburgh C. P. Attacks Grand Jury Witchhunt

(Special to the Daily Worker)

PITTSBURGH, Pa., July 7.—In a letter addressed to District Attorney Parks, the Communist Party of Western Pennsylvania struck sharply against the undemocratic action of the Grand Jury in bringing in 106 indictments against 43 citizens on an alleged charge of violating the election code.

The Party statement repudiated the insinuations appearing in the Pittsburgh newspapers, which are striving to account for the inability of the county detectives to apprehend the indicted persons as having fled or evading arrest.

Charles Geyn, chairman, and George Powers, secretary of the Party in Western Pennsylvania, informed the District Attorney:

"As a legal political party we have nothing to hide or to run away from. We are, on the contrary, determined to continue to champion and defend not only our platform and principles but to steadfastly resist the subversive and undemocratic attacks which are designed to undermine

and destroy the democratic and constitutional rights of the American people.

"We insist that if these rights are not valid for Communists they are valid for none."

TO "SURRENDER"

The Communist leaders informed the District Attorney that on Monday, July 8, all persons indicted whom the Party has been able to reach over the week-end will voluntarily surrender to the district attorney's office. The Party statement sharply attacked the campaign of intimidation, insinuations and terrorism which resulted in these Grand Jury indictments and pointed out that the indictments are an attack against the democratic and constitutional rights of Americans.

The Party protested against the exorbitant and excessive bail which the District Attorney has set, amounting to \$350,000, as evidence of the persecution character of the

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Unionists Show Splendid Strength, Discipline; Gov't Workers Join in

WOMEN ASK VOTE

Camacho, P.R.M. Candidate Reported Leading in Early Returns

By Alfred Miller  
(Special to the Daily Worker)

MEXICO CITY, July 7.—A victory for the PRM (Party of the Mexican Revolution) and its Presidential candidate Avila Camacho were strongly indicated here today by first reports on election returns in this city and through the country. Concrete figures of votes cast are still unavailable.

Camacho is opposing Juan Andres Almanzan, candidate of Mexican reaction and the American oil trust.

Basing itself on early reports, PRM sees a clear, and possibly overwhelming, victory for its candidate.

Although polls close officially at 2 P. M., voting is continuing in many places at the time this is written because the turnout apparently is the largest in history.

As a whole, and compared with previous elections, the country was rather quiet although violence and deaths are reported in several places.

All unions voted during the early hours. They presented a magnificent picture of strength and discipline.

Out of a total of 250,000 government workers, 145,000 voted for Camacho. These returns are a clear refutation of Almanzan charges being "coerced."

Masses of women government employees made public declarations that they would vote for Camacho if they were permitted to vote. They raised a general demand for woman suffrage.

PEASANTS BACK P. R. M.

PRM President Heriberto Jara told the Daily Worker that the results already showed a victory for his party in the states of Tamaulipas, Guerrero, Nuevo Leon, Sonora, Coahuila, Hidalgo and Abasco California.

PRM also declares that 80 of Monterrey's 86 polling places show a majority for Camacho.

Monterrey is Almanzan's stronghold.

Reports from many individual villages throughout the country show that the peasants presented a solid front for PRM and a continuation of Cardenas' program.

In San Luis Potosi, city of the dead reactionary insurrectionist Cedillo, reports from all polls show a PRM majority. The city also reports "considerable trouble."

Camacho, who was interviewed at noon, said: "Throughout, the people show splendid enthusiasm, for which I am very grateful. Up to now the results appear wholly favorable."

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## Reich May Repair French Warships

BERLIN, July 7 (UP).—The official news agency DNB in a dispatch from Algeria said today that German naval authorities were studying the possibilities of repairing French warships damaged by the British last week off Oran.

## 1,599 Refugees Leave Ireland

GALWAY, Eire, July 7 (UP).—The S.S. Washington of the United States Lines sailed for New York at 3 P.M. today with 1,599 refugees, mostly Americans, aboard.



# Call Estonian-Soviet Pact Path to Free Life

## Estonia Press Hails Alliance; Publishes Election Platform

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, July 7.—The Estonian press in Tallinn hailed today the Soviet-Estonian alliance as a "wide road leading to a free life, improvement in the material and cultural well being of the people and to the prosperity of the Estonian state."

This statement was made in the platform published today in connection with elections to the new state Duma, the text of which follows in part:

"For a number of years the Estonian people suffered under the heavy yoke of the reactionary plutocratic regime of the old government. Injustice and arbitrariness reigned throughout the country. The best sons of the Estonian people—the champions of its freedom, rotted in prisons.

### BETRAYED PACT

"The foreign policy of the old government was hostile to a free and prosperous life for the Estonian people. Instead of scrupulously and conscientiously fulfilling the obligations laid down in the mutual assistance pact with the Soviet Union, signed Sept. 28, 1939, instead of consistently pursuing a policy of friendship based on this pact which was so essential to the Estonian people and the USSR, the old government chose the path of dishonesty and an unconscious attitude toward the USSR, placing in danger peaceful relations between the two countries.

"There now stretches before the Estonian people a wide road leading to a free life, improvement in the material and cultural well being of the people and to the prosperity of the Estonian state. During the elections of July 14-15, the Estonian people must come to the ballot boxes consolidated as never before and confident that the foundation for a happy life for the Estonian people and state is the steadfast and inviolable alliance of friendship between Estonia and the great Soviet Union—a fraternity of the Estonian and Soviet peoples who from now on will march hand in hand and with enthusiasm fight for peace and the flourishing of the Estonian People's Republic and the Soviet Union.

### PEOPLE UNITED

"We workers, peasants, working intelligentsia, trade unions, cultural and educational organizations, Estonian women and the Communist Party of Estonia, have united into an alliance in order to carry out the elections and elect to the Duma, worthy representatives of the people who reflect its true will in full harmony and unanimity.

"Our demand in foreign policy is friendship between the peoples of Estonia and the Soviet Union, and a close alliance of the Estonian Republic with the USSR. We further demand in our domestic policy:

"Democratic liberties in the interests of the working people—freedom of speech, press, assembly and the right to organize; improvement of the material conditions of workers and office employees by wage increases; resolute measures against unemployment; extensive measures for social insurance for the working people; state security for invalids, labor and old men and women workers; all round assistance by the state to help peasants who have no land or few means to acquire it; decisive measures to ease the tax burden of the peasantry; annulment of all arrears taxes levied against peasants for state and other purposes; extension of measures for the protection of mother and child; free education to be made accessible to all; extensive development of a network of medical assistance; abolition of national inequality and persecution of national minorities and the assurance of genuine equality for all nationalities inhabiting Estonia; democratization of the army; extensive development of national culture and science, education and art."

The election platform was signed by the Central Committee of Trade Unions of Estonia, the Central Union of Small Land Peasants, the Communist Party of Estonia and other public organizations.

## RAF Scores 8 Hits on Italian Ships, Airports

CAIRO, July 7 (UP).—The Near Eastern command of the Royal Air Force said today that RAF planes in recent days had scored eight direct hits on Italian ships at Tobruk, Libya, and damaged two airplane hangars at Catania, Sicily.

Successful raids on the port of Tobruk, the communiqué said, began last Friday. The attacks on Catania, on the east coast of Sicily, took place yesterday.

In the Tobruk raids executed after extensive reconnaissance flights, according to the communiqué, British bombers grounded two large ships at the southern point of the harbor, badly disabled two others, while a cruiser and still another ship "appeared to be in difficulty."



**HAPPY FARM YOUTH:** These singing girls and young men on a Soviet collective farm, are strolling on a river bank on the Kaganovich collective in the Ukrainian Socialist Soviet Republic. Young collective farmers of Bessarabia and Northern Bukovina will find similar happiness in their liberation from the landlord yoke of the Rumanian boyars.

## Mexicans in Big Turnout in Election

### See Camacho in Lead; Unionists Show Splendid Strength

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that money can buy. Countless buses and private cars cruised the city all day, loaded chiefly with youngsters below voting age who shouted and were generally noisy. They carried with them their own ambulance service like shock troops.

Early large-sized crowds of "Almazanistas" remained around the polls all day, and were clearly recognizable by their green lapel bands. They sought to give the impression of mass Almazan voting.

Organized labor, voting early in boxes, left the polls after casting their ballots, thereby avoiding confusion.

But the day is not over at this writing, and there may be more violence, particularly since the "Almazanistas" have reportedly bought out the bull ring to march upon Zooty's later.

Police and soldiers are stationed at strategic points, and are patrolling the city. They have done an excellent job of checking exuberance, and have prevented many large clashes.

The cavalry is also in evidence but has not been in action so far. It is extremely unlikely that late reports will change the present indications of victory for P.R.M. It is strongly possible that the final results will show a landslide for Camacho.

## Ciano and Hitler Confer in Berlin

### Believe Relation with Japan Are Part of Discussion

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and Italian representatives were said to be prepared to shake down to a more definitive basis the whole question of Axis relations with Japan.

### ROME SEES "FINAL" MILITARY ACTION

ROME, July 7 (UP).—The war cannot be considered finished so long as Great Britain remains in the struggle, the authoritative journalist Virgilio Gayda wrote in Voce d'Italia today.

Hailing the visit to Berlin of Foreign Minister Count Galeazzo Ciano as a further sign of the strength of the Rome-Berlin Axis, Gayda wrote:

"With spiritual solidarity, the Axis Powers are making ready today for the final military action and thereafter for the new political order in Europe. It is natural that in this new phase of the war Germany and Italy should perfect and harmonize their plans. Their policy is to march together, both in combat and in political solutions. Their collaboration now nears the conclusive task.

"The war is not yet over so long as Britain remains in the struggle."

## Lowest Paid Canadian Labor Gets Heavy War Tax

OTTAWA, Ont., July 7 (ICN).—Canadian labor this week learned that war is a costly business as Hon. J. L. Ralston, federal minister of finance, submitted his budget to the House of Commons. Every unmarried person earning \$11.54 a week and every married man or woman earning \$23.08 without dependents will have his or her wages taxed to swell the nation's war chest.

Three hundred and ninety thousand persons who hitherto escaped paying income taxes now come under the scope of the new budget and will pay either two or three cents tax on their wages depending on the level of their present earning. A single person earning \$610 a year will pay a tax of \$10 and a married person earning \$1,210 annually will contribute \$36.30. The tax will be deducted monthly from the wages of the employees by the employers under the new regulations.

In addition to the wage levy there will be a 10 per cent tax on "luxury" products including radios, automobiles, cameras, etc.

## Soviet Science Sees 150-Year Life Span

### Magazine Here Reports Research Being Made on Longevity

According to an article, entitled "Seven Score and Ten," published in the current July issue of Soviet Russia Today, Soviet research indicates that old age at three score and ten is "premature," that the natural life span should extend to 150. The author, Lucretius Smith, declares that experiments conducted in this country tend to confirm the Soviet investigators.

"Professor A. A. Bogomolets, president of the Ukrainian Academy of Sciences, states his general objective as follows: The struggle for the prolongation of human life must not be reduced to attempts to rejuvenate the senile organism. To know how to prolong life means first of all to know how not to shorten it. At the present stage of development of the human being we can scientifically fix normal duration of life at 125 to 150 years."

"Professor Bogomolets heads a group of 60 research workers and assistants who operate on a budget of nearly 600,000 rubles per year. The Institute activities already extend beyond its institute walls. For example, two scientific exhibitions to Abkhazia have been studying oldsters who have passed the century mark. Abkhazia seems to be a blessed spot for the aged who seem to be spared here disorders normally attributed to old age. . . . Bogomolets uses such data in support of his position that the pathological symptoms need not be associated with aging. . . .

### FREQUENT CONFERENCES

"The Soviet Union holds frequent conferences on the question of aging. The first major conference took place in Kiev in December, 1938. . . . An unusual number of well tested cases of longevity, were discussed, e.g. Shapkovsky, 140 years old; an Odessa citizen, G. Katsap, 110 years old, whose mother died in 1928 at the age of 137 years; Yaboyev, a mere lad of 130 years; and Tabagon Kotaba, a 135 year-old Abkhazian. . . .

"It is interesting to note that the general, conservative attitude in the United States on the problem of longevity shows signs of cracking because of the activity of several small progressive groups. A small group in Cornell University

has produced marked increases by diet in the longevity of rats—roughly estimated as raising their life span to an equivalent of more than 130 human years. They thus verified the estimates Bogomolets. . . .

### ON SOVIET MORALS

In an article in the July issue of Soviet Russia Today, published today, Ben Thomas, a Philadelphia machinist who worked in Soviet factories for eight years, answers questions about Soviet morals:

"I would say that morals in the Soviet Union are higher than I have seen elsewhere. Take the question of prostitution. There is none in the Soviet Union. It is not simply because people are religiously or morally opposed to it, but because the economic basis does not exist for it. All in all, family life is on a much sounder, happier basis there than here; families are bound together by common interests and real comradeship.

"Can you hire someone, or have a maid in the house? Yes, you can. You can hire a person to repair your automobile, or to do things that fall in the realm of personal service. You could ask this servant to make a dress you wore, yourself, but if you were to ask her to make clothes to sell to other people for your own profit, that would be both unlawful and unethical according to the Soviet code. . . . I think that is a higher morality, a higher ethics, than one finds in a society which, in its exploitation of man by man, even permits people to get fat and rich off the labor of children who should be in school. . . .

## British Claim Sinking Five Supply Ships

LONDON, July 7 (UP).—The British submarine Snapper attacked two German convoys of supply ships off Norway and torpedoed five of them, the Admiralty said today. The supply ships, escorted by armed trawlers, were in service between Germany and Norway. According to an Admiralty communiqué, they were subjected to sudden attack by the British submarine which scored hits on five of the ships.



**HONGKONG BRIDGES BLASTED:** This island city, important British possession, broke all links with the Japanese-held Chinese mainland as Japanese troops encircled the city and occupied the city of Kowloon and the whole mainland surrounding Hongkong. The map in the inset shows the trouble zone.

## Tokio Underestimated China, Izvestia Declares

### Japanese Expectations of Delivering 'Lightning Blow' Failed, Soviet Paper Says in Reviewing 3 Years of Invasion

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, July 7.—Izvestia today in an article reviewing the three years of the war in China declares that Japan, aiming at a "lightning" blow at the start, "underestimated China's forces."

The article states in part:

"On July 7, 1937, a clash took place between a company of Japanese soldiers and the 29th Chinese Army on the Marco Polo bridge on the outskirts of Peiping. This armed conflict constituted the beginning of the war in China which has gone on for three years.

"It is well known that the Japanese command counted on inflicting a 'lightning' blow and so crushing the Chinese Army that there would be a rapid capitulation of the Chinese government.

"Three years of war experience has shown that the Japanese command underestimated China's forces and the war has assumed a stubborn and protracted character, thus engulfing huge material and human resources on both sides.

### THE 3 STAGES

"The strategic course of the war in China can be divided roughly into three main stages. The first stage covers the period from the beginning of the war to the occupation of Nanking, China's capital. The occupation of northern China, however, did not lead to the Chinese government's capitulation.

"The second stage began after the Japanese troops occupied Nanking. The Chinese government, using the experience of the war's first five months, succeeded considerably in reorganizing the Chinese armed forces and establishing a united army.

"After the occupation of Hankow there began the third stage of the war, characterized by the severe slowing down of the pace of Japan's offensive. The Japanese armies, penetrated far into China. Thousands of miles separate them from the Japanese Isles.

"The Japanese have simultaneously to wage a struggle against Chinese regular troops not only at the front but also in the rear where

Chinese troops are operating together with numerous partisans.

### CHINA STABILIZES

"The last year of the war is characterized by an almost complete stabilization of the fronts in China. With the exception of fighting near Nanning in the south, and Chungsha and Ichang on the central front, during this period there has been not a single in any way considerable operation to be noted.

"Fundamentally, both warring sides are now occupied in consolidating their positions and regrouping their forces. The Japanese in particular are undertaking measures directed toward cutting China's communications with the outer world and thereby stopping the arrival of necessary armaments.

"Having lost its ports and its biggest industrial centers, the Chinese government set itself the task of creating economic bases in the country's heart.

"During the war's first two years, 341 undertakings and 150,000 tons of equipment and also several thousand skilled workers were evacuated from the regions occupied by the Japanese into provinces in the country's heart.

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, July 7.—Pravda, commenting today on the third anniversary of the war in China, declares that "the Chinese people with ever growing energy are continuing the struggle for their freedom and independence."

"Despite all Japanese attempts to cut China off from the outer world, the Chinese people with ever growing energy are continuing the struggle for their freedom and independence."

## Women Here To Back Chi. Peace Parley

### To Hold Randall Island People's Rally for Peace, August 4

Formation of the Emergency Peace Mobilization Committee of Greater New York at a meeting July 2 at the American Women's Association at the invitation of Mrs. Aline Davis Hays, was announced today by Jean Horie, temporary chairman of the Committee. The local committee will support the forthcoming nation-wide Peace Mobilization meeting at Chicago Aug. 31.

The New York Committee will sponsor a People's Rally for Peace to be held at Randall's Island Stadium, Sunday, Aug. 4, with Congressman Vito Marcantonio as the main speaker.

In announcing the committee's formation, Miss Horie disclosed that the organization has unanimously endorsed the program and the purposes of the Chicago Mobilization which are "to defend America, to keep America democratic and to keep America out of the war."

The rally at Randall's Island, Miss Horie declared, will be in the nature of "a dramatic and effective means of mobilizing the thousands of New Yorkers who are ready to give positive expression to their desires to keep the United States out of the war."

Committee sponsors will hold a luncheon meeting Tuesday, July 11, at Rosoff's Restaurant, 143 West 43rd St., to perfect plans for the Randall's Island meeting, and to make additional plans for activity in this area.

### THE SPONSORS

Prof. Robert K. Speer, New York University; Walter S. Neff, Local 537, American Federation of Teachers; Philip Irving, President, American Guild of Variety Artists; Rev. John H. Lathrop, First Unitarian Church; Mrs. Aline Davis Hays; Samuel Freedman; Prof. Eda Lou Walton, New York University; Rev. William Lloyd Jones, St. James Presbyterian Church; Dr. Bella Dodd, Local 5, American Federation of Teachers; Norman V. Lourie, director, Bronx House; Morris Watson, American Newspaper Guild; Cal Shenkman, Washington Heights YMCA; Dr. Franz Boas; Rev. James R. Moore, Amity Baptist Church; Lewis Allen Berne, President, Federation of Architects, Engineers, Chemists and Technicians; Harry Reich, President, Local 89, Cooks and Pastry Workers Union; Mrs. Jessica Scott, Ashland Place YWCA; Rev. Frank L. Hutchinson, Bowery Branch YWCA; Abram Flaxer, President, State, County and Municipal Workers of America; Thomas Gilson, Bronx Union YMCA.

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# There Is Not a Day to Lose in Rescuing the Heroic Anti-Fascist Refugees Now Trapped in France

By H. R.

Unless the American government fulfills some of its protestations of "anti-fascism" under the pressure of an aroused public opinion, one of the greatest crimes in history will be consummated this week. That crime is the mass return of the remaining 180,000 Spanish refugees in France to Franco and the delivery of 4,000 International Brigadiers to Hitler and Mussolini, composed mainly of German and Italians.

These bravest fighters against imperialism, whose great battle in Spain delayed the outbreak of the second imperialist war, and whose victory could have prevented it, can be saved. To do that, the American labor movement and all democrats must take immediate steps to rescue them. This is no small task, but one which requires a great mobilization. Especially is their rescue the job of the whole peace movement in our country.

This week, several Latin American governments responded to the urgent appeal of the Pan-American Coordinating Committee for Spanish Aid, which was set up in the Mexican Conference, last February and of which the United American Spanish Aid Committee is the American affiliate. The Mexican government in an historic step granted visas to all Spanish refugees who could reach their legation in France and informed the German and Italian governments

that they were under the protection of the Mexican flag in "occupied territory." The Chilean government also granted visas and the Cuban and Bolivian governments offered to cooperate in protecting them.

These countries, poor in resources, were the first to demonstrate their willingness to make sacrifices in order to save the best and genuine anti-fascist fighters. But the United States Government, which can supply practical and immediate help, in the form of Rescue Ships, has not yet responded. Despite appeals, telegrams and demands from all sides, the American State Department and President Roosevelt maintain the same stony indifference to the Spanish refugees as they did during the period when the lifting of the embargo would have meant the victory of the Spanish Republic and the prevention of this present horrible war.

### MORE APPEALING

It is apparent that they still follow the Chamberlain and Churchill policy of appeasing Franco. Yet there is no doubt in anybody's mind, after the events of recent weeks, that Franco stands by the side of German and Italian imperialism, which Great Britain is presumably fighting, and against which President Roosevelt vociferously fulminates. It is clear that the still firm resistance of the

Spanish people, the spectre of their revolutionary reconquest of the Spanish Republic, unites all of world imperialism, despite family quarrels, in supporting Franco the butcher.

What could be a better antidote to the innumerable "Nazi plots" which the Dies Committee and The New York Times "discover" in batches in Latin America, than the sending of the fighters against fascism, proven and tested on Spanish battlefields, to the Latin American countries. The appeasers of fascism in the United States Government, who are preparing to lead our country into a reactionary war must be made to understand that the democratic conscience of America demands the rescue of the genuine anti-fascist Spanish fighters and the ever-glorious International Brigades.

Two weeks ago, Congress appropriated \$50,000,000 for war refugees, along with an avalanche of reactionary and anti-labor legislation. President Roosevelt did not hesitate to sign the bill. Their tender solicitude for the victims of the war, when they do not lift a finger to aid the first victims, the Spanish people, can only be looked upon with suspicion. It is reminiscent of the events in France in February 1917, when 16 army corps mutinied, when the French people refused to continue the imperialist slaughter and only an injection of \$5,000,000,

000 worth of American war relief and the subsequent entry of our country into the war prevented a different ending of the war.

The American people wants to help the victims of the war, but not to permit war relief funds to be utilized in order to suppress the demands for peace or as a counter-revolutionary weapon in the infamous Hoover relief style.

With all the more justice, therefore, must it be demanded that these funds and those of the Red Cross be used now to rescue such men as Luigi Gallo, the commander of the Garibaldi Brigade, as Paul Richter of the great Thaelmann Brigade and thousands of others. Hitler has already demanded that his "friend" Pétain turn them over to him by virtue of Article 19 of the treacherous French-German peace treaty.

### A YEAR OF TORTURE

These stalwart fighters against fascism have suffered over a year in the torture camps where French reaction penned them up. Thousands have been killed at the front while constructing fortifications under military guard. Many are sick. Hundreds of wounded and crippled have had no other hospital bed than the dirty sands of the concentration and prison camps. It is not yet known whether the fascist Pétain government freed them before the arrival of Hitler's troops, although a rumor to that effect

comes from the State Department.

Among the refugees are the best trade unionists of Spain, including Pascual Tomas of the Executive Committee of the U.G.T. It should be taken for granted that even William Green and the A. F. of L. leadership should be interested in saving him and the thousands of other members of their own Amsterdam International Federation of Trade Unions. But if the Greens do not act, the trade union membership, A. F. of L. and CIO, can and must. This is the test of the maturity and international-mindedness of the American labor movement.

The Social Democrats, who are demanding that their union membership give a half-day's pay to the Red Cross, must be answered with the united demand that the Spanish refugees and the International Brigadiers be saved immediately as the first international duty of the American working class.

The form of aid is concrete and practical. It is the sending now of an American Rescue Ship, the funds for which must come from the trade unions and the progressive movement generally. It is rumored that about 500 Internationalists, including Friedrich Wolf, author of "Professor Mamlock," escaped in the last chaotic days from the French camps and are now in Lisbon. A rescue ship would bring them and others in France quickly

to the Latin American countries which have accepted them.

The campaign for such a ship, mobilized on a nation-wide scale, should be sufficient to force the American Government to live up to some of its pledges and send government ships across to save other tens of thousands of the best anti-fascists.

The slogan of an American Rescue Ship was arrived at in the Emergency Conference called by the New York Chapter of the United American Spanish Aid Committee held Monday, June 24, at the Hotel Diplomat, in New York City. The Conference also called for the sending of delegations to Congress, to the President and Secretary Hull, demanding their aid to save the Spanish refugees. It called for a wide campaign of popularization of the situation of the refugees, especially at mass meetings in the neighborhoods and in the fraternal, social and trade union organizations.

It is not too late and will never be too late to save the most valuable people of the world's fight for peace and freedom. The cause for which 1,000 American boys gave their lives on Spanish soil demand that no stone be left unturned in sending an American Rescue Ship now and in getting our government to follow suit. The labor movement must take the lead, before it really is too late. There is no time to lose.



# Communist Leaders Hail Mother Bloor, Growing Young With Years

## G. Flynn, Whitney Send Greetings

Called 'Young in Heart,' Leadership Praised in Messages

Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, member of the National Committee of the Communist Party, greets Mother Ella Reeve Bloor on her 78th birthday with the declaration: "You will never be too old to dream, to laugh, to fight, for your clear voice to sing out its message of Socialism in the America of your forefathers."

Gurley Flynn's greeting is only one of many thousands pouring from all corners of the land and each of them hailing Mother Bloor as one of the greatest inspirations of our time.

Gurley Flynn's full message of greetings follows:

**78 YEARS YOUNG**

"Most people are young—for a while at least. Some young people are old. Most people grow really old. Some few stay youngish. But none are younger in heart, in mind, in spirit — yes and in body than you are, Mother Bloor. If anyone doubts it, let them try to keep up with you for twenty-four hours any day and find out for themselves.

"The records say you are 78 today. They can't prove it by us! They can't prove it by you! We'll just have to take their word for it. To us, your innumerable friends and comrades, you are 'forever young, forever fair!' The familiar axiom, 'You're only as old as you feel' is magnificently exemplified in you. You are a mother, a grandmother, a great grandmother. Yet, you are as young as the YCL.

"It is because you live not in the past, nor in the present to completely, but in the future of the human race. In the beautiful Irish play, 'Cathleen-ni-Houlihan' the family asks the young man as he enters the house, 'Did you see a little old lady going down the road?' He answers in surprise, having seen Ireland itself in the form of a woman, 'No, but I saw a young girl and she had the walk of a queen!' We see in you the radiant beauty of future equal womanhood, free from fear of war, want or age. You will never be too old to dream, to laugh, to fight; for your clear strong voice to sing out its message of Socialism in the America of your forefathers.

"We eagerly await the chronicle of your backward glances over your long, hard travelled road — the story of your life. Your untiring struggles for co-education, for suffrage, for trade unions, in strikes, in building the Communist Party, emboldens us to fight on, in any dark hours before the dawn. You are giving us a rare birthday present in this book. In return, Mother Bloor, we pledge to you on your 78th birthday, our great love and deep devotion. Your wise leadership, your cheerful optimism, your courage, are shining examples. We wish you a happy birthday, long life, good health, and a speedy victory for the people, dear Ella Reeve Bloor. We hope for the youth and strength to keep up with you! It will be enough to win!"

### OTHER GREETINGS

Typical of the thousands of messages hailing Mother Bloor are the following two, first from California:

"On behalf of thousands of your comrades and well wishers in California, the State Committee of the Communist Party sends warmest birthday greetings to Mother Bloor and with it our affection and admiration for your flaming youthful spirit. May you be with us many more years of courageous



MOTHER BLOOR

struggle in the cause of peace and socialism.

"Anita Whitney, state chairman; William Schneiderman, State Secretary. From Missouri and Arkansas comes this:

"The State Committee of the Communist Party sends revolutionary birthday greetings to Mother

Bloor. Your wonderful example encourages all of us to struggle against the war-makers and profiteers who are the real Fifth Column trying to undermine the democracy and civil rights of the American People. Long live Mother Bloor.

"R. Shaw, state secretary, Missouri and Arkansas State Committee."

## UAW-CIO Files Strike Notice Against Cooler Co.

DETROIT, July 7.—Michael J. Manning, President of West Side Local 174, UAW-CIO, has filed a 5-day strike notice with the Michigan State Labor Board, declaring that a strike was imminent at the plant of the Universal Cooler Corporation, it was learned yesterday.

## Ohio Y. C. L. Collects 6,500 Signatures

Increases Its Quota in 'Fund for Peace' Drive to Combat War

CLEVELAND, July 7.—The Young Communist League of Ohio is answering the attempt to bar the voice of the Communist Party and YCL from the radio by a whirlwind campaign to complete the signature drive and the Fund for Peace drive.

On July 4th the State office of the YCL announced that 6,500 signatures had already been collected by the League out of a quota of 8,000 and \$500 of the \$2,000 fund drive had already been turned in. Out of the \$600 quota for the League to the National Fund Drive \$300 was handed in on July 4th.

Among the membership of the YCL and the progressive youth in Ohio this Fund Drive is recognized as a fund for Peace, Jobs and Civil Liberties. It is a fund to combat the 10 per cent steal by the Roosevelt Administration out of the hides of the poor and youth to get the US into the Imperialist War.

The slogan of the YCL in Ohio is becoming "Give 10 Per Cent for Peace to Defeat Roosevelt's 10 Per Cent Steal for War."

On this July 4th—the anniversary of the revolutionary struggle of the American people for peace, liberty and national independence — the YCL pledged itself to place its whole energy to complete the collection of 8,000 signatures to place the Party of Browder and Ford on the ballot and the raising of the additional \$1,500 to guarantee the success of the struggle of the American people for Peace, Jobs, and Civil Liberties.

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## Radio Artists Win Highest Minimum

Union Establishes \$35 Hourly Pay, Other Improvements

(By Federated Press)

The highest minimum wage in the history of organized labor—\$35 an hour — is the achievement in less than three years of the American Federation of Radio Artists, branch of the Associated Actors & Artists (A.F.A.).

Chartered Aug. 16, 1937, under the joint sponsorship of the Screen Actors Guild, the American Guild of Musical Artists and Actors Equity Assn. (all AAA branches), AFRA has jurisdiction over all those who speak, sing, act or play instruments before the microphone. Its network of 25 locals now extends from Montreal to Miami and from New York to Los Angeles and includes two-thirds of the 15,000 performers in the industry.

National president of the union is the comedian, Eddie Cantor. Lawrence Tibbett is vice president and Emily Holt, executive secretary. On AFRA's board of directors are such widely-known artists as Edgar Bergen, Lanny Ross, Jack Benny, Edward Arnold, Dick Powell and Richard Bonelli.

One of the main factors in its rapid success and expansion has been the pact on interchangeability of memberships between AFRA and its three sponsors which provides that each will suspend members who refuse to join the other while working under the other's jurisdiction. Also extremely helpful was the national labor relations act, which AFRA invoked several times to obtain reinstatement with back pay of performers fired because of union activity.

**WERE UNDERPAID**

Further stimulus to AFRA's growth was the chaotic working conditions in the industry. Radio artists, underpaid and overworked, were subjected to deductions for doubtful agents' fees, forced to rehearse long hours and give auditions without pay and had no guarantee that their jobs would continue.

Eddie Cantor once declared: "Radio has grown up very rapidly and in the process of its expansion the interests of the majority of the artists who are the very life and substance of radio have somehow been sacrificed to the interests — many times the selfish interests — of others."

Today, AFRA has agreements with the three networks—National Broadcasting Co. and Columbia and Mutual Broadcasting Systems—leading advertising agencies and many individual stations, all adding up to 80 per cent of the commercial billing.

The \$35 hourly minimum applies to 4,000 actors and announcers on commercial network programs, with vocal soloists receiving \$70. When the program is recorded and then re-broadcast, an additional \$17.50 an hour must be paid to the mikes and \$22.50 to the singer, raising the minimums to \$42.50 and \$22.50, respectively. When less than an hour is played the rates for announcers and actors are \$15 for 15 minutes or less, \$25 for 16 to 30 minutes, and the hourly rate for time over 31 minutes.

Other details are a 13-week continuous guarantee, paid rehearsals at \$6 an hour, auditions at half the

## CIO Wins Chi. Poll of Furniture Workers

Labor Board Elections in 6 Shops Give Clear Majority

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CHICAGO, July 7. — Furniture workers here are celebrating today a clear CIO victory in Labor Board elections held last Wednesday.

With elections held in six shops to determine the choice of employees as to whether they wanted to belong to the CIO Furniture and Bedding Workers Union, Local 18 B; to the A. F. of L. Upholsterers and Finishers, or neither, the total ballot was CIO, 416; A. F. of L., 164; neither, 172; and challenged and void ballots, 52.

The CIO figure of 416 was a clear majority over the total of the rest of the vote.

The shop votes resulted in clear CIO victories in three and runoff elections in the others. Shop by shop vote was as follows:

American Novelty Co.	104	10	4
Karpen Shop	152	14	
Butler Specialty Co.	80	30	72
International Furniture	19	13	4
Paidar Barber Supply	21	23	32

**MAIL RESULTS**

In two other shops the Transportation Division of the Karpen Shop and in Penske Bros. Co., runoffs will be held, between the CIO and A. F. of L., as well as in the Paidar and Butler companies. This is because neither union received 51 per cent of the vote.

"This victory," says a statement of the CIO union, "is a proper answer to the A. F. of L. which spread vicious propaganda against us. 'It shows that workers cannot be fooled by cries of 'Red, Communist, Nazi, fascist' as was used against the CIO in this election."

"This victory should put an end to the bitter fights in the shops and all should now unite to build the Furniture Workers Union."

broadcast fee, rest periods, no deductions from the minimum, and the AFRA shop, under which producers recognize that all performers are AFRA members, must obey its rules and cannot appear with performers not in good standing.

The legal basis of this AFRA contract was laid by an NLRB decision that actors, singers and announcers constituted a single unit for collective bargaining purposes.

When the lords of the ether signed this contract their negotiators warned that grass would grow in the stations' transmitters before it expired. Since then the networks have experienced bonanza years. The largest gross billing in the history of radio was chalked up last year. William Paley, head of CBS, for example, can complain. Not only did he get about \$200,000 in salary but he also received \$510,000 in dividends from his Class B stock alone in 1939.

The next step on the agenda, say AFRA spokesmen, is a contract covering "platters" or electrical transcriptions of live broadcasts providing extra compensation for playing, and contracts with the little independent stations scattered among the smaller cities. This will complete the unionization of the field.

## Negro Weekly Says FDR Heads People To Destruction in a Robber's War

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CHICAGO, July 7. — America's "kings of industry" and President Roosevelt are leading our country to war and destruction, says the Chicago Defender, leading Negro weekly newspaper, in an editorial in its July 6 issue.

Wars like this one are the result of imperialist policy, it says. "Only when the hellish nightmare of imperialism domination is done away with will the curse of war be destroyed."

Negroes stand for defense, the editorial declares, but defense belongs with jobs, security, civil rights, especially for the black man to whom these things have always been denied. Following is a partial text of the editorial:

**AMERICAN DEMOCRACY**

"We are for defense, but it begins with the granting to the masses of the democracy so long denied. Will starving sharecroppers believe they are called to the colors to preserve freedom? They are not free. Will Negro peonage accept the old arguments that democracy will come if it does not reach them? They are not free. The experiences of Europe are the lessons by which we learn of life.

"Build the morale of America's oppressed and jobless millions! Give equality of opportunity to

black men and women! This constitutes the first line of defense.

"The fundamental urge possesses hundreds of millions of men is the urge for freedom and peace. The colonial peoples of Africa, India, the Near East and the Far East have been the slaves for centuries of those who own and control the economic wealth and political life of Western Europe.

"Germany is challenging again the right of the 200 families who own France and the lords who own Britain and rob Africa. Hitler wants loot. But the Wendels of France and the Astors, Chamberlains and Churchills of England will allow no gang to muscle in without selling the lives of millions of innocent men and women on the field of honor.

"Both sides are equally covered with the blood of millions of innocent people. Who can deny this today?

"There are black men in America who seek to define this holocaust as a white man's war. How terribly naive they are. How can a war which decides the fate of millions of Africans be a white man's war? How can a war which may engulf us be a white man's war? True, it is a robber's war, but race or nationality has nothing to do with that.

"Negro America faces decisive issues. The war American steel and oil magnates want, is not our war. Dare we say to our posterity, 'No amount of humiliation, or of persecution on the part of the great landlords and industrialists would halt our rendering services, even life itself, to them in their blood bath?' We dare not do this thing. Accursed would be the day of our birth if we were so devoid of manhood.

"We desire to see a free Africa emerge from this war.

"We long for a free India—free peoples everywhere. The equality and sovereignty of nations—the right of all people to govern themselves, the removal of every and any racial national prejudice and restriction, the free development of free people is our desire. Is it difficult to see what this means to black men?

"This desire will not be realized unless the people are victorious. Only the people can and will end war. This has become a truth which can no longer be hidden even from the most politically backward.

"Only when the hellish nightmare of imperialist domination is done away with will the curse of war be destroyed."

## Rochester Increases Its C. P. Fund Quota

The Communist Party of Rochester today announced that it increased its fund drive quota in order to help finance the party's battle for the ballot.

Expressing confidence that the people will support "the only peace drive of the only peace party," the membership raised its quota from \$1,000 to \$1,700.

Meanwhile, the New York State Fund Drive Commission published the standing of the sections at the close of the first week of the fund drive, which saw the record sum of \$31,455 raised in New York State. Manhattan's 1st A. D. it was revealed, leads a field of 16 sections which have already raised over 11 per cent of their quotas. The 1st A. D., which is making a collection of "firsts" in financial campaigns a habit, has raised 30.7 per cent of a \$11,000 quota and is aiming at completing its drive in the middle of July.

Three Kings sections, the 8th and 12th, the 21st and 7th A. D.s follow the leader in that order with more than 22 per cent of their substantial quotas already in.

The 8th A. D. and the 7th A. D. are in a virtual tie for first place in the Bronx with percentages of 14.1 per cent and 14 per cent, respectively.

Queen's 3rd A. D. is among the leaders with 16.3 per cent of its quota already raised.

Sections that have not been heard from are cultural, musicians, Richmond, Westchester, Albany, Binghamton, Dutchess, Erie, Fulton, Monroe, Orange and Schenectady. Orange County was the first section in the state to finish the financial campaign in 1939.

Sections which have raised less than 5 per cent of their quotas are 2nd A. D., New York; Upper Harlem; Washington Heights; 5th A. D., Bronx; 1st A. D., Queens, and 22nd A. D., Kings.

SEATTLE, July 7.—Cheering the anti-war stand taken by Senator Burton K. Wheeler in his Chicago speech, A. E. Harding, president of the Maritime Federation and secretary of Council No. 1 forwarded a telegram of support to the Montana Senator on behalf of over 15,000 workers in the fishing and marine industries of the Pacific Northwest.

"Washington Council congratulates you on position taken that anti-war party will be launched in event two major political parties do not take a determined stand pledging keep America out of European war," Harding wired.

"We wish to reiterate our position that keeping America out of war our Number One problem today and that we will support no party or presidential candidate who does not take a determined anti-war position in deeds as well as words."



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Classes scheduled to open tonight include: principles of Communism, Political Economy, Marxism-Leninism, History of the C. P. S. U., American History, Trade Unionism and Public Speaking.

Wednesday night the following classes will have their opening session: Current Events, Principles of Communism, Negro Question.

Classes which begin on Thursday include: Fundamental Problems of Marxism, Principles of Communism, History of the American Labor Movement.

Enrollment for the above classes will continue throughout the week in the registration office of the Workers School, Room 301, 35 East 12 Street. The hours are from 11 A. M. to 8:30 P. M.

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Weekly Column Devoted to Interests of Rail Labor

The following letter was received from a railroad worker in Chicago. It deals briefly with the general situation of terminal porters, commonly known as "Red Caps."

We will deal more extensively with the problems raised in this letter in one of the future railroad columns which appear in the Daily Worker every Monday.

We urge all red caps, members and union officials alike, to write us about their problems.—Editor.

#### RED CAPS FIGHT FOR A LIVING WAGE

"In one passenger station after another, Red Caps are being deprived of their tips by the 10c charge which the railroads are collecting for each piece of luggage handled by them. Red Caps in most cities are now receiving only \$2.40 per day, which is the wage minimum set for railroads under the Wages and Hours Act.

"For many years Red Caps received little or no wages for their services, depending almost entirely on tips for a precarious living. Only recently court proceedings have established their right to receive the minimum wage of \$2.40 per day. This wage, along with their tips would have given them a fairly good living. But the railroad bankers don't want that \$2.40 per day wage to come out of their profits, so by way of the 10c charge, the traveling public is made to pay the Red Caps wages and a profit to the railroads as well.

"In some few big city stations, a bonus—based on receipts from Red Cap service—is returned to the men, but those stations are the exception rather than the rule. Even with the bonus, most Red Caps are receiving much less than a decent living wage.

#### 10c A BAG SYSTEM—NUISANCE

"The long and loud protests on passengers over the nuisance and unfairness of having to check their bags with Red Caps at 10c per check, may result in the roads abolishing this practice, which would restore their tips to the Red Caps. The roads should be made to realize that they are driving business away by such petty practices, but the greed of rail management has always made them blind to the fact that their business depends on the good will of the public. Apparently the public be damned is still their slogan.

#### STRONGER UNION URGED

"If the 10c charge remains, the Red Caps only salvation is to strengthen their organization and fight for a living wage.

"Red Caps, who are mostly Negroes, have had a tough time getting organized. Discrimination and color clauses, the curse of the American labor movement, have deprived Negro Red Caps of membership in the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks, which is the A. F. of L. union with jurisdiction over other station employees. But these workers, Negro and white, with the will and determination to organize, have succeeded in building their union in most big stations.

"Their independent union, United Transport Service Workers of America (formerly Brotherhood of Red Caps), should have the support and assistance of the older established railroad organizations. We should welcome these newly organized brothers to the fraternity of railroad labor. Only so far as we secure solidarity of all rail labor, regardless of craft, color or creed, will we be able to protect and improve our conditions during this period of war hysteria and attacks against all labor."

#### RAIL WORKERS QUESTIONS

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## Pittsburgh C. P. Attacks Grand Jury Witchhunt

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District Attorney and Grand Jury actions.

#### STATEMENT TO D.A.

A copy of the statement to District Attorney Andrew T. Parks said:

Andrew T. Parks, District Attorney Allegheny County, County Court House, Pittsburgh, Pa., Sir:

From newspaper reports the Communist Party is advised of the action taken by the special Grand Jury, of bringing in indictments against 43 citizens of Allegheny County on alleged charges of violating the election code of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Apparently this refers to the whole campaign of intimidation, coercion and terrorism which has been deliberately manufactured against an entire body of citizens—the overwhelming majority of whom are not members of the Communist Party—and the candidates of a legal political party, because of the exercise of their constitutional and civil rights as provided for in state and Federal constitutions.

It is a matter of public record that the Communist Party is a legally constituted and recognized political party. Its candidates are officially on the ballot. It has conformed with all legal requirements specified for minority political bodies. Consequently, your actions and the Grand Jury indictments which have followed can have no other meaning than that of a deliberate attempt to deny and deprive the free exercise of constitutional and electoral rights to a body of citizens and to the only political party on the ballot in the forthcoming elections which champions the wishes and desires of the American people to keep the United States out of war and to

establish social security at home. This is best evidenced by the setting of exorbitant and excessive bail which is expressly forbidden by the constitution.

#### A REMINDER

May we remind you that those sinister forces which succeeded in dragging our country into the last World War were guilty of similar persecutions against those great champions of the people: Debs, Earl Browder and Charles Ruthenberg, and who under the cover of pro-war hysteria and red-baiting struck heavy blows against the democratic rights and organizations of the American people. But we are confident that now, as then, these reactionary efforts will fail.

Local newspapers insinuate that those Communists who have been indicted by the special Grand Jury have fled, are in hiding or are otherwise evading arrest. The Communist Party flatly repudiates this insinuation. As a legal political party we have nothing to hide or to run away from. We are, on the contrary, determined to continue to champion and defend not only our platform and principles but to steadfastly resist the subversive and undemocratic attacks which are designed to undermine and destroy the Democratic and Constitutional rights of the American people. We insist that if these rights are not valid for Communists they are valid for none.

Therefore, we desire to inform you that on Monday, July 8, there will voluntarily appear at your office those persons indicted whom we have been able to communicate with or reach over the holiday week-end.

Very truly yours,

CHARLES GWYNN,  
Chairman,  
GEORGE POWERS, Secretary,  
Communist Party of Western Pennsylvania.

## Youth Parley Scores Attacks on Communists

Geneva Wis. Delegates Also Condemn Youth Conscription

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Industry for the four thousand youths graduating into employment possibilities each month."

For the first time in the history of the Congress, a workable, concrete program to solve the problems of farm youth was presented by the Rural Youth Commission which pointed out that "thousands of young Americans today are underprivileged, segregated, illiterate and starving in rural communities throughout the United States."

To clear the country of these conditions, said a North Dakota farm boy, "we rural delegates are prepared to fight and we ask your help in this fight."

Greeted by heavy applause, the program declared that "the land must be owned by those who farm it." It urged "extension of NLRRA to all agricultural workers, changing AAA to benefit the small farmer and share cropper, adoption of a full soil conservation, producing and marketing cooperation, federal aid to the young farmer by long term interest loans, racial equality in educational opportunities and their extension, elimination of malaria, pellagra, tuberculosis and rickets, the wiping out of the shacks which we call homes, and an end to the discrimination against the Negro people."

#### WANT 1941 PARLEY

The committee called for the establishment of an institute on the common problems of the rural and urban youth groups, to be held in 1941 in the central part of the United States.

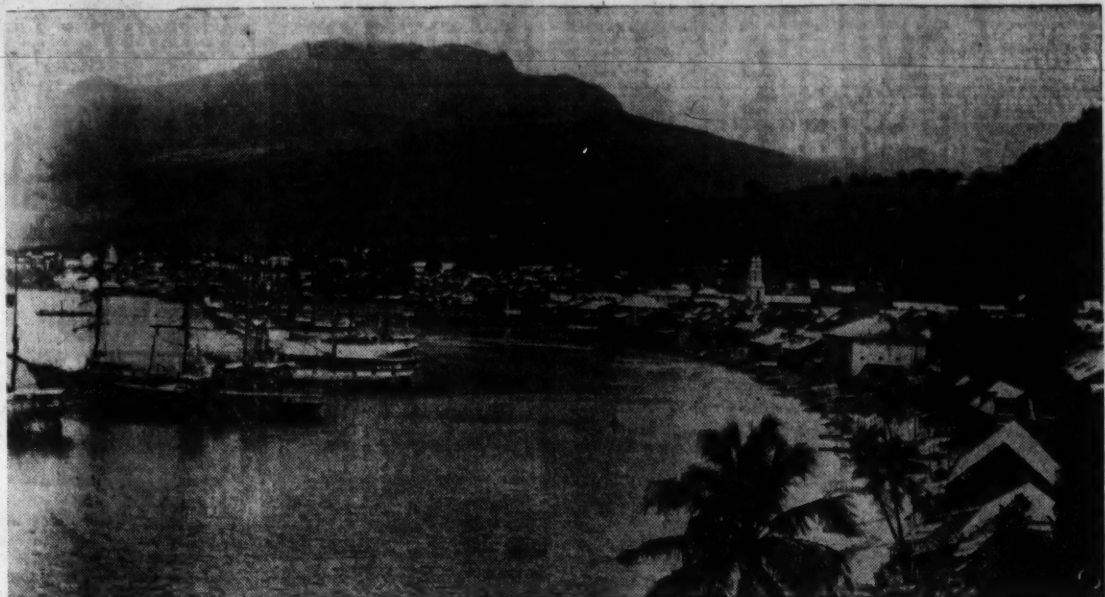
When the report was concluded, Tom Jones, Negro chairman of the N. Y. Youth Congress, pledged his organization to contribute five dollars a month to the upkeep of the new permanent rural youth commission, which was set up here at the Congress.

Answering Abbot Simons appeal for "more work in the interests of peace, since there is no time to lose," the delegates contributed in a spontaneous demonstration \$919 in cash and pledges to the work of the Congress. Small state and organizational caucuses were hurriedly put together on the floor as the delegates and observers counted their money and reckoned the finances of their organizations. The contribution was taken as another sign of young America's powerful desires for peace in which to solve its problems.

## Ship Brings British Kids To Montreal

MONTREAL, July 7 (UP).—A shipload of British children arrived from England today. Name of the vessel was not disclosed.

Most of the child refugees were accompanied by the parents or nurses. They were all paying passengers, not traveling under the British government's evacuation program.



**BLOCKADED?** This is a view of the town and harbor of St. Pierre, on the French island of Martinique in the Caribbean Sea. Units of the French fleet were first reported here; then reports were circulated that Britain planned to blockade the port and perhaps attempt to defeat the French warships as they did at Oran, Algeria. The British subsequently denied that the port was under blockade, but it was reported in Washington that United States destroyers were bound for the island. This report was neither confirmed or denied officially, but Secretary of State Cordell Hull said that the United States was keeping a sharp eye on developments there.

## Issue Call For City CIO Union Council

Haywood Issues Call to Meet Wed., July 24 at Hotel McAlpin

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each local union, joint board, district council or similarly constituted body, to this meeting, was promulgated at a conference of International Representatives, as follows:

**For Local Unions:**

1 delegate for the first 500 members or less;

1 delegate for each additional 500 members or majority fraction thereof up to 5,000 members;

1 delegate for each additional 2,000 members or majority fraction thereof above 5,000 members.

No. of Members	Delegates
500 — 750	1
751 — 1250	2
1251 — 1750	3
1751 — 2250	4
2251 — 2750	5
2751 — 3250	6
3251 — 3750	7
3751 — 4250	8
4251 — 4750	9
4751 — 5000	10
6001 — 8000	11
8001 — 10000	12
10001 — 12000	13
12001 — 14000	14
14001 — 16000	15
16001 — 18000	16
18001 — 20000	17
20001 — 22000	18
22001 — 24000	19
24001 — 26000	20
26001 — 28000	21
28001 — 30000	22
30001 — 32000	23
32001 — 34000	24

**For Joint Boards, District Councils or similarly constituted bodies:** 1 delegate each.

#### Dies of Heart Attack

Frank Larkins, 47, a sheet metal worker, was found dead in his home at 288 Battle Ave., White Plains, yesterday. He was believed the victim of a heart attack.

## Ousted Student Leader Hits 'Classroom Hysteria'

Declares Colleges Under Control of Those Who 'Are Reaping Fabulous War Profits'; Was Barred for Fighting for Peace

By Robert G. Epstein

(Special to the Daily Worker)

COLLEGE CAMP, Wis., July 7.—Barred from the University of Michigan for leading the campus fight for peace, Hugo Reichard, vice-president of the Student Council and vice-president of the American Student Union Chapter today charged American colleges with control "by men who are reaping fabulous war profits."

Speaking to the educational committee's panel, here at the American Youth Congress, Reichard declared that "war hysteria is creeping into our classrooms."

As a student who was preparing for a career in teaching Reichard urged youth to treat "seriously and vigorously the governmental war economy which is the greatest educational problem today."

He asked the Congress to battle for the defense and extension of educational privileges for youth, and the elimination of racial prejudice.

Referring to the other eight students expelled from the University of Michigan along with him, Reichard said "Our case is one in which persons have been compelled to stop their education in mid-career due only to their convictions for peace."

(Special to the Daily Worker)

COLLEGE CAMP, WIS., July 7.—An interesting little story about the Daily Worker is making the rounds here.

It seems that one of the girls here has a friend in New York who sent her all the clippings from the New York papers on the Youth Congress.

As she read through them, she grew angrier and angrier. Finally, she came to a clipping marked "D.W." Puzzled, she asked one of her tent-mates what paper that was. Told it was probably the Daily Worker, she replied "Oh, that's that socialist paper or something, isn't it?"

Glancing through the story hurriedly for the first time, she read it aloud a second time, interspers-

ing it with exclamations of surprise and pleasure. "Why," she said when she concluded, "this is the only paper that treats the Congress fairly and honestly. It talks about the youth as if it is interested in trying to help solve our problems. I'd like to meet the reporter who wrote it."

This correspondent is waiting.

#### Release Sixteen Japanese Held By U. S. Marines

SHANGHAI, July 7 (UP).—United States Marines today released 16 Japanese plainclothes policemen arrested earlier for carrying guns in the American defense sector, after Japanese authorities said they were "very sorry."

The Japanese were arrested as part of precautions in all the defense sectors against incidents on the third anniversary of Japan's undeclared war with China.

Japanese authorities admitted the act was a violation of regulations which forbid the carrying of arms in the defense sectors, but said they had "overlooked" the rule in providing for the protection of commanding General Nishio during his parade through Shanghai, which the Japanese insisted on holding although it was the first such parade since the 1937 victory procession.

The Marines returned the Japanese guns and made them sign receipts for them.

## French Fleet's Fate Rests on Crew Plebiscite

Sailors Fraternize with British as Vote Is Conducted

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unable to leave harbor, French and British sailors were mingling freely ashore and the British were seeing to it that the French received their pay).

It was understood that should the French sailors choose to go back to France rather than fight on with Britain, their ships will be immobilized and remain indefinitely in the British-controlled Egyptian port.

French warships here still flew the French flag. Whether they will be used against Germany and Italy depended on the result of the plebiscite—and on future events.

(The official German news agency reporting from Algeria said more than 200 persons were dead and missing and 150 wounded from the French warships Dunkerque and Mogador, which were attacked by the British in the battle of Oran and again Saturday.

(The newspaper Le Petit Dauphin at Grenoble, France, reported from the French capital at Vichy that an Admiralty communiqué announced that a squadron of French planes had taken part in an attack on British warships at Gibraltar.

(The communiqué, according to the dispatch, said that the navy planes had been demobilized but returned to carry out the raid on British warships which took part in the "treacherous" attack on French fleet units off Algeria.

(From Toulouse, the newspaper reported that the War Council for the 17th region had sentenced General Charles De Gaulle, head of a "refugee government" in London, to four years in prison and fined him 100 francs for disobeying orders of the Vichy government.

(It also was reported from Vichy that the French battleship Provence was sunk off Crete by British cruisers after a two-hour battle.)



WE NEED more concrete organization in the branches. We must begin to map out definite and specific plans of work for each branch to follow on a consistent week-by-week basis. Section Daily Worker Directors should meet individually with all Branch Daily Worker Directors to work out such a program. THE PLAN of work for branches should take up such concrete questions as the following:

1. Is there a large shop in the territory covered by the branch? If so, on what days, and at what hours, will the Daily Worker be sold at the shop gates?
2. How many open meetings—outdoor or indoor—is the branch holding during the week? Are orders already placed for papers for these meetings?
3. Where is the branch concentrating in election petition signature work? This is where the canvassing with the Daily or Sunday Worker should be organized.
4. Is the branch in the neighborhood of meeting halls or union headquarters? If so, are all meetings being covered with the sale of the Daily Worker?
5. Is there a busy street corner or intersection where the street sale can be organized on Saturday nights, when news of unusual interest breaks, etc.?
6. Is the branch, or any member of it, giving a fund drive affair over the week-end? Have arrangements been made for someone to pick up Dailies or Sunday Workers for this affair?
7. Does the branch distribute Daily Worker leaflets at regularly specified intervals?
8. Are there particular minority groups in the neighborhood of the branch that can be reached by special stories appearing the Daily and Sunday Worker? If so, what arrangements have been made to bring the paper to these people at such times?

WE COULD GO ON like this—but this is enough to indicate on what basis we can produce concrete plans for every branch, plans that will guarantee a minimum circulation for the branch, and lay the basis for a greater circulation. A plan for every branch!

## Algerian Gov't Says British Ships Hit at Oran

VICHY, France, July 7 (UP).—The Algerian government information service in a report to the French capital here said today that the British fleet had suffered serious damage in the attack on the French fleet off Oran last week.

The big British battle cruiser Hood of 42,100 tons, the most powerful battleship afloat, was said to have been hit by three shells. Two British destroyers were sunk in the engagement, the information service said.

## C. P. Picnic in St. Louis

(Special to the Daily Worker)

ST. LOUIS, Mo., July 7.—Huge two-ton trailers and trucks were used to deliver the overflowing crowd to the annual 4th of July Communist Party picnic at Oak Grove park here. Others came in their own automobiles, some rode bicycles and others rode as far as they could on street cars and then walked to the picnic grounds.



## L.W.O. Auditor Gets Doctor's Degree

Morris A. Greenbaum, auditor of the International Workers Order, received his degree of doctor of jurisprudence last week at Brooklyn Law School.

Greenbaum has been associated with progressive organizations for the last fifteen years and connected with the Amalgamated Bank until 1928. In 1931 he investigated the United States Bank for the Depositors Committee and in 1938 exposed racketeering in the Painters' Union. In 1931, Governor F. D. Roosevelt invited him to Albany to discuss the Bank of U. S. affair.

At present, he is head of the Labor Auditing Bureau at 404 Broadway.

## Western Pa. C. P. Brands Congressman as Traitor To Labor Which Elected Him as a Progressive

By David Lurie

(Special to the Daily Worker)

PITTSBURGH, July 7.—"It is people like you, who are ready to sacrifice the interests of the majority of the people for the sake of the privileged few, who are the real subversive elements in our country and traitors to it. It is against you and your kind whom the people have to guard. We are confident that the people will draw the proper conclusions from their bitter experiences with you..."

With these words the Communist party concluded a letter to Congressman Robert G. Allen this week. It was a reply to a letter sent by Allen to the Communist Party of Western Pennsylvania.

Allen, who began his political life as a New Dealer and who was elected largely with labor support, is not running for re-election. It is reported that his decision not to run arises from the certainty that labor will not support him this time. It was the experience which the workers of Allegheny Valley had with Allen as a Congressman which played a large part in their decision to establish a third party, the Progressive Labor Party.

Allen's letter, addressed to Charles Gwynn, chairman of the Communist Party of Western Pennsylvania, was itself a reply to a telegram sent Allen by the Communist Party. When Martin Dies announced his intention of sending a letter to each of the 26,000 signers of the Communist Nominating petition, the Communist Party dispatched telegrams to each of the Pennsylvania Congressmen urging

them to oppose the Dies action as an invasion of the civil rights of Pennsylvania citizens, an attempt to intimidate voters into repudiation of their signatures and contrary to Pennsylvania election laws.

#### ON BANDWAGON

Congressman Allen, evidently considering that the steel and aluminum bosses would approve his action and knowing that he no longer has any support among the workers of his district, jumped on the anti-Communist wagon with a slanderous reply to this telegram. Typical of his statements is the following: "You do not represent a political party in Pennsylvania. You are traitors to this country and if I had my way, you would be dealt with as such."

But Allen did not expect the sort of letter the Communist Party sent in reply. Among other things, the reply, which received some publicity in the local press, declared: "...you make it clear that between you and the Communist Party there is an unbridgeable gulf. We can assure that considering the policies you are following today we would consider it a betrayal of the people if we were in any way identified with you. But life is a very funny thing. You didn't always repudiate the Communists. When did you start doing it?"

"Can you deny the fact that not only did you accept the support of Communists but actually went out of your way to get it? Yes, Mr. Allen—There was a time not so long ago when you were very eager

to be on good terms with the Communists. You were eager to consult with and get advice from us in your 1938 campaign. And after the 1938 campaign which sent you to Washington you felt comfortable in our company—until, of course, you became part and parcel of the American capitalist war machine and accepted the leadership of Martin Dies and J. Edgar Hoover. If you still don't remember these things, we are quite willing to produce the evidence in writing and otherwise."

It is true that this hysteria in Pittsburgh is to a large degree proving ineffectual, the many anti-parachute squads and "buckshot brigades" which were being announced a few weeks ago are no longer heard of and such organizations as "Volunteers of America" is suspected by many of being a new sort of labor spy racket. This because such organizations as the anti-parachute clubs ran counter to the good sense of people in these parts, the high point of absurdity being reached when one individual announced himself as Major and Commanding officer of the American Aero Reserve, an organization which turned out to have the major as its only member.

#### WITCH HUNT

But wherever possible reactionaries—and out-right company stooges have seized on the fifth column hysteria to attack the rights and jobs of workers. Their opportunity came with the publication of the names of signers of Communist Party nominating peti-

tions and the launching of a Grand Jury investigation. Thus in various local unions, headed by reactionaries, workers whose names were on the nominating petitions have been suspended and even expelled.

It is not to be expected that such actions will go without opposition. In addition to the fight which the Communist Party is carrying on against the attacks on the signers, it is expected that struggle will develop within the local unions since in the cases of workers expelled, as in the J. & L. Lodge of the SWOC on the South side, several of those expelled were among the leaders in the building of the unions. These workers are confident of their ability to defeat the reactionaries who have sought to deprive them of their union standing.

At the same time, the Communist Party is fighting back against the attacks on it. One phase of this fight is the increased use of radio stations for broadcasts. Thus, every Friday at 7:15 the Party is on the air over Station KOV in Pittsburgh and will shortly be on the air in various smaller towns. Thus also, the Party has increased its issuance of leaflets. The latest being the printing of "An open letter to Martin Dies" which was sent to the signers of nominating petitions as an answer to the letter sent them by the Dies Committee.

In addition, the Party is waging a fight in the courts. But Pittsburgh is a war industries center. Western Pennsylvania is a stronghold of monopoly capitalism. Until the rise of the CIO, it was most pronounced open shop

territory in America. The bosses are seeking to return it to that status and are using the war hysteria as a pretext. Thus, when Attorney Dorfman told the court he could furnish proof of forgeries on Democratic and Republican petitions, the court refused to hear him, although he showed photographic copies of forged petitions before the judges. Dorfman had stated that if the Grand Jury investigation was actually to investigate fraud, he had proof of such fraud but by the two major parties.

It was evident that the court was not interested in extending the scope of the Grand Jury investigation. At the same time, it refused to allow him to present evidence of workers losing jobs as a result of the publication of the signatures. Clearly, the forces of reaction in Western Pennsylvania are seeking to reestablish the old days of the Coal and Iron Police, of the open shop and the denial of labor's rights. The first step is the anti-Communist campaign. The truth of this is seen in the attempted victimization of workers who signed the nominating petitions.

But the reactionaries are not having a smooth road. In one mill, where several hundred workers signed the petition, the attempts of reactionaries to use it as a blacklist was stopped by decisive action of grievance committees. The reactionaries dare to move only where they are in complete control. And as the struggle continues, it is to be expected that the workers will rally around the protection of their rights.



# Lynch Terror Against Negroes Increases With War Drive

## Detroiters Clash With Police to Aid Negro Youth

### Brutal Police Beating of Negro Youth Arouses Mass Protest

(Special to the Daily Worker)

DETROIT, Mich., July 7.—Detroit police today are holding four persons after a 30-minute riot on Belle Isle July 4 when 3,000 Negroes and whites attempted to rescue a Negro youth who had been apprehended after taking a ride in a canoe rented by another youth.

Despite contradictory reports of the riot it appears evident that the police here are continuing the policy of brutality in handling Negroes that was established during the administration of former Police Commissioner Heinrich Pickert.

Joseph Kalvaitis, 22, renter of the canoe, had beached it and was standing at a refreshment stand nearby when he saw Melvin McConico, 18, Negro, of 609 Alfred St. paddling it away.

Kalvaitis called Patrolman Andrew Smith, who ordered McConico to return to the shore. As he beached the canoe, McConico started to run, followed by Smith and a crew gathered.

After the arrest of McConico he was handcuffed and was being led toward the Belle Isle Police Station accompanied by other policemen who had appeared with the crowd following demanding his release. Someone in the crowd threw a rock at the policemen and when McConico ducked he was slapped with the handcuffs and fell to the ground. The police then he reported to have choked him and twisted his arms while he begged them to cease. This enraged the crowd who followed the prisoner and the police to the Belle Isle Station where a riot ensued.

The four policemen barricaded themselves in the station and when rocks and bottles thrown by both Negroes and whites began rattling against the walls summoned aid from the MacClellan Street station.

### POLICE ARE GUILTY

By the time more police arrived the crowd had grown to 3,000 and the officers had to fight their way to the station. They drew their night sticks and after a 30-minute battle dispersed the crowd, who continued chanting:

"Turn him loose! Turn him loose!"

Detroit police are notorious for their maltreatment of Negroes and it is said that a riot would not have resulted from the arrest if the officers had not brutally attacked the Negro youth.

Numerous Negroes have been beaten and shot by police here without apparent reason and on every occasion the Wayne County Prosecutor's office has neglected to issue warrants for the cops involved.

The police here have constantly disregarded even the rules of the Police Department, and have been extremely careless in their handling of firearms and their treatment of suspects and prisoners. Recently a young white lad who was about to be married was shot by the police when he did not stop his car while they were chasing him for violating the speed limit.

Frank Eaman, new police commissioner here, has thus far done a good job since taking office but there still remain remnants of Pickertism in the police department which must be cleaned out before the civil liberties of both Negroes and whites are respected in Detroit.

The Civil Rights Federation is reported to be investigating the Belle Isle riot but to date has released no statement to the press. These police attacks, particularly against Negroes, are regarded as a part of the war hysteria against minority groups, and are an attempt to attack the unity of Negro and white workers in United Automobile Workers Union, CIO.

## Man Misses Ducks—But Kills His Own Niece

WATERLOO, N. Y., July 7 (UP).—Ralph Bardo, Seneca Falls, N. Y., driving to his brother's farm last night swerved his car to avoid hitting a flock of ducks in the road. The car struck his niece, Helen Bardo, 5, and nephew, Robert Bardo, 7, who were playing in the tall grass along the road. Helen died today. Robert is recovering from a broken leg.

## State Printing Trades Council Meets July 22

The New York State Allied Printing Trades Council will hold its annual convention at Hotel Syracuse, Syracuse, N. Y., on July 22nd and continue through the entire week.

## While Lynchings Increase...



## Tenn. Terror Continues After Brutal Lynching

### Negro Residents of Brownsville Afraid to Testify as Threats Keep Lips Sealed on Lynching of N.A.A.C.P. Worker

Negro citizens of Brownsville, Tenn., are still undergoing a wave of lynch terror following the brutal lynching of Elbert Williams, an active NAACP worker.

So intense has the terror become against Negroes, that residents of Brownsville are afraid to discuss the lynching of Williams, according to Howard D. Gould, writing in the Chicago Defender for July 6.

Gould says that "fear that the mob would find them if they talked about the lynching and brutality sealed the lips of most. During the week it was impossible to talk with any residents of Brownsville over the telephone, even if the residents had been willing to talk. Even men who have been driven out of town have little to say as their families are still in Brownsville and may suffer the wrath of the mob."

### ATTEMPTED TO VOTE

As the terror against Negroes in Brownsville reached new proportions, an appeal to the country for help by Elbert Williams, who with his wife and seven children, were driven from his business, was made public yesterday by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Davis is now living in another town where he is also being threatened with violence. He was the operator of a filling station in Brownsville prior to the outbreak of violence there in the middle of June.

Lynch terror against Negroes in Brownsville flared up when several Negro citizens attempted to register to vote in the 1940 Presidential elections.

Fifty-five year-old Rev. Buster Walker, president of the Brownsville NAACP, and a group of Negroes, were told by an official at the registration office "You had better stop this or there will be a necktie party."

Rev. Walker, Mr. Davis and his brother were run out of town. The dead body of Elbert Williams was fished up from a river near Brownsville a few weeks ago. Names of two bankers, police and highway officials of Brownsville have been placed before the Department of Justice and the Attorney General by the NAACP, charging them with leading the mob that lynched Williams. There has been no word from either of the government agencies.

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## Big Program For Spain Vets Festival

### Funds Will Aid Refugees Trapped in France

A beauty contest, acrobatic and juggling acts, clowns, a hot Negro swing band and a Spanish dance band have been added to the program of the American Solidarity Festival to be held at Empire Beach Park, Staten Island, July 21 for the Spanish refugees and International Volunteers trapped in France. The New York Chapter, United American Spanish Aid Committee, 200 Fifth Ave., is sponsor.

In addition, a group of volunteer workers from the child service field will conduct a special program for children of pre-school and school age in a section of the seven-acre park at Hylan Boulevard and Richmond Avenue. Large cribs will be provided for tots and special entertainment, organized play and storytelling will be conducted under the guidance of experts.

One of the acrobatic acts will be put on by Sam Kramer, popular vaudeville performer, and Ben Benson and his 14-year old son will give an exhibition of their juggling artistry. Wilbert Griffith and his orchestra will provide the swing music and will alternate with a smooth Spanish dance band to furnish all day music on a beach dance pavilion.

Other features of the Festival include free swimming, free bus transportation from the Staten Island ferry terminal at St. George, folk dancing and choruses, field day and sports events, Spanish and Polish singers and dancers, and a time vaudeville acts. Tickets are 40 cents and on sale at the committee's office.

Philip Loeb, Ivan Black and Arthur Elmer will act as masters of ceremonies.

The beauty contest will be conducted by the New York District of the American Students Union. Entries are now being received at the office of the committee, Room 810, 200 Fifth Ave., and by the Student organization, 381 4th Ave. The judges will include leading members of local trade unions.

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## I. L. D. Pushes Test Cases Against WPA Witchhunt

Following up its denunciation of the regulation under the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act forcing WPA workers to sign affidavits concerning their political beliefs or affiliations as an unconstitutional witch hunt depriving men and women of their right to work in violation of the most basic principles of American democracy, the International Labor Defense last week announced that it was taking test cases against this measure in various parts of the country.

In Illinois, California, Michigan and New York, the I.L.D. has already started in New York in behalf of Mrs. Charlotte Long and George B. Carroll in which cases the I.L.D. is participating as a "friend of the court."

A brief amicus curiae will be filed by the I.L.D. tomorrow, when these two cases come before a three-man Federal Court for hearing. The action is directed against WPA Administrator Col. Somervell, seeking to enjoin him from enforcing the E.R.A.A. on the grounds that it is unconstitutional.

The test case in Michigan involves the chairman of the International Labor Defense who was dismissed from a state historical records survey project after he wrote across the affidavit presented to him:

"I reserve the right to belong to any legal political party such as

Republican, Communist or Democrat."

Hartley, who is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin, was born in Yonkers, New York. In a statement to the Detroit press released after his dismissal, Hartley said:

"Though I could honestly have signed this affidavit as it was and kept my job, I could not sign it and continue to be proud of being an American citizen loyal to American traditions. For the first time in the history of the United States, membership in a legal political party has been made a disqualification for earning a living."

Abner E. Larned, Michigan state WPA administrator says: "We are not interested in the point raised by Hartley as to the legality of the Communist Party."

One of the test cases in Illinois involves a Mr. Tobias Foss who taught school in his native Norway

and continued his work as an educator in this country at Northwestern University, the Veterans Bureau School, State Vocational School at Somerville, Mass., Massachusetts Nautical School, and as educational director for the U. S. Transient Training Camp in New Jersey. Mr. Foss became a WPA worker in Chicago in 1937. He was employed on various educational and research projects and at the time of his dismissal was working on the Foreign Language Survey Project.

"After reading the affidavit," Mr. Foss stated, "I decided that I would not sign it for a number of reasons, chief of which is that I feel that the requirement embodied in the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act is unconstitutional as a violation of the right to political freedom guaranteed by the first amendment to the constitution of the United States."

## New Marxist \$5 Library Is Called Cornerstone of Proletarian Education

By Joe Fields

With the objective of systematically extending Marxist-Leninist study and education throughout the country, a campaign to distribute 10,000 sets of the new \$5 "Permanent Library" of fifty Marxist classics is being initiated by the National Committee of the Communist Party beginning in July.

These fifty carefully selected basic works of the foremost teachers of modern scientific socialism constitute the basis for a comprehensive Marxist-Leninist education, and are designed to equip the student with a knowledge of the essential principles of Communism and of the strategy and tactics of the class struggle in the present era of imperialism and imperialist war. In addition, the Library draws on the rich experiences of the history of the Bolshevik Party in the struggle for socialism.

While based primarily on the works of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin, the \$5 "Permanent Library" also includes key writings of the most authoritative leaders of the C.P.U.S.A., Earl Browder and William Z. Foster, on major issues and problems affecting the welfare of the American people. Thus, the Library constitutes a rounded-out theoretical and practical guide for

all class-conscious workers in the struggle for the immediate as well as ultimate objectives of labor and its allies.

### GREAT CLASSICS

Included in the Library are the most celebrated classics in the arsenal of Marxism-Leninism. "The great History of the C.P.U.S.A. (B), of which Earl Browder said 'With this book we will raise up a whole generation schooled in the best thought produced by humanity,' there, The Communist Manifesto, by Marx and Engels, which has formed the solid bedrock of the modern working class movement. Engels' Socialism, Utopian and Scientific, and Marx's two classic lectures on capitalist economy, Wage Labor and Capital and Value, Price and Profit, are likewise included.

Over twenty of Lenin's most important works in the "Little Lenin Library" series have been incorporated in the \$5 "Permanent Library," including such classics as Imperialism, the Highest Stage of Capitalism; Left-Wing Communism; State and Revolution, and the newly published War and the Workers.

Some of Stalin's greatest contributions to Marxist-Leninist theory are also to be found in the Library, including his Foundations

of Leninism, Problems of Leninism, and Mastering Bolshevism. In addition, there are a number of key works of Dimitroff of international scope; basic studies on the Negro question and Negro history in the U. S.; the most important writings on the history of the Communist Party including Debs, Haywood, Ruthenberg, by Elizabeth Gurley Flynn and the Constitution and By-Laws of the C.P.U.S.A.

For those who can afford it, and are interested in acquiring a still more comprehensive and rounded-out library, there will be made available \$10 and \$15 Library Lists which will include, besides the fifty titles contained in the \$5 "Permanent Library," a group of carefully chosen Marxist-Leninist books of fundamental importance. These lists will be available in all Party branches, and orders for the Libraries should be placed through the branches.

Actually, these Libraries give to the buyer a far greater value than the price charged; the aggregate retail price of the fifty titles in the \$5 "Permanent Library," for instance, is far in excess of the five dollars actually charged. Similarly with the \$10 and \$15 Libraries.

## CLASSES BEGIN TONIGHT

Summer Session — July 8th to August 16th

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## A 20 Billion Wage-Cut Masked as 'Defense'

As the man in the street starts to pay the so-called "defense taxes" on practically everything he buys, he should keep in mind certain key facts.

The first is that Government is spending far more for armaments than is commonly realized. President Roosevelt's technique of asking for armament appropriations on a piecemeal basis has generally obscured how vast the armaments program really is.

To date, the figures are as follows:

Four billion a year for the Air forces, plus four billion more every year for maintenance (U. S. News estimate, June 14).

Four billions more for the Army every year.

Five billions for the Navy.

Roosevelt has just asked for another five billion to be quickly appropriated. This is a total of more than 20 billion dollars a year.

The U. S. News declares editorially that "official estimates are that \$20,000,000,000 a year will have to be spent by the Government. . . . This estimate moreover is for preparedness, not for war. In war, armament costs could easily double."

To give you an idea of how enormous this preparation for war is, the reader should recall that America's 1917 and 1918 war bill was about twenty-four billion—about the same as Roosevelt expects to spend every year while the nation is still at peace.

The argument that Roosevelt is spreading the cost equally among the rich and poor is refuted by the known facts.

Congress trampled on all amendments to the Defense Tax Bill which were introduced by LaFollette and Connally to tax war profits. Roosevelt's representatives in Congress led the fight against these amendments. Recent figures show that Wall Street corporations like U. S. Steel, and aircraft companies are reaping profits out of war orders from 300 to 2,000 per cent greater than last year.

These enormous profits are coming from the "defense taxes" which the average American is now paying when he goes to the movies, buys a pair of shoes, medicine, a radio, etc., etc.

The same Government which slashed the relief bill from three billion to one billion while 10,000,000 jobless Americans are hungry, thinks nothing at all of providing the munitions makers with a bonanza of war profits. This same Government refuses to tax the huge supply of tax-exempt bonds, the large Stock Exchange incomes, the profits of the rich. Instead, it is reaching deep into the pockets of the poor, the "little man," the shopkeeper and the white collar families.

To put it plainly, the "defense program" is making Wall Street richer and the people of America poorer. The reason is that it is not a real defense program at all, but a preparation for the further enrichment of Wall Street through world-wide aggression.

## Socialism Alone Ends Anti-Semitism

Once more are we reminded that Socialism is the sole permanent cure for the crime of anti-Semitism.

Deepest darkness and brightest light exist for the Jewish people on the two opposite sides of the Rumanian-Soviet border.

A New York Times dispatch from Bucharest yesterday declares that the anti-Semitic government—whose ascendancy has been marked by wholesale persecution and murder of Jews—has accused the Jewish people of showing "great joy" at the Soviet occupation of Bessarabia.

Why should they not feel such joy? Under the medieval Rumanian government, as under the Czars, they have been subjected to continuous oppression of the most degraded kind and to frequent horrifying pogroms. Under the Soviet regime, the Jewish people have become part of that union of Socialist republics in which anti-Semitism has been crushed forever.

When the exploitation of man by man has ceased, race prejudice expires also. In the Soviet Union alone it is a crime against

the State to reflect on any man because of his racial origin. In the Soviet Union alone do scores of diverse nationalities live together in the Brotherhood of Man.

There are no Trusts there—in the Land of Socialism—to divide the masses through race hatred in order to exploit them.

In the United States, anti-Semitism

grows from the rotten soil of monopoly control. Ever is it to the advantage of Wall Street to keep the people divided. Ever is it to the advantage of the workers to forge unity of all the common people.

When the exploiting classes have been ended—as Joseph Stalin has emphasized—and when the workers possess power in their own hands, as takes place when Socialism is established, then only are anti-Semitism and all other forms of race prejudice stamped out for good.

## Streamlined Lynching Takes Another Victim

Elbert Williams, a Negro fireman in Brownsville, Tenn., was lynched the other day—a victim of the new streamlined lynch technique adopted by Southern landlords and mill owners.

Because Williams was a leader in a right-to-vote campaign, his body was fished up out of a river, beaten almost beyond recognition. This hideous murder was perpetrated by the so-called "best people"—two bankers, a state highway commissioner and several policemen, whose names have already been sent to President Roosevelt and the Department of Justice by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

But while both the White House and the FBI are busy whipping up a witch-hunting atmosphere against the foreign-born, labor and other minorities, no statements or action have been taken to bring these lynchers to justice.

In fact, neither the Republicans nor the Democrats display the slightest interest in enforcing the 13th, 14th and 15th Amendments. The policies of both parties are to smash civil liberties in preparation for imperialist war. The Republican platform on the Negro is one of meaningless generalities and evasions. Likewise, Roosevelt shows his "national unity" with the lynchers by stabbing the anti-lynching bill in the back.

In this election campaign, only the Communist Party comes forward with a program against the frightful oppression of the Negro, symbolized in the beastly lynching of Williams. Earl Browder, in "The Road to Peace," sums it up in clear, concrete language:

"Demand the immediate enactment of the Federal Anti-Lynching Bill, which has been so shamefully pigeonholed by Congress and the Administration.

"Secure the franchise to the Southern masses, white and Negro, by immediate federal legislation prohibiting and penalizing all poll tax laws and other limitations on the franchise, as a national issue, not a regional Southern issue, without the solution of which there is no effective democracy for the whole nation.

"Abolition of all discriminatory legislation and customs directed against the Negro population; unconditional equality, economic, political and social."

The Negro people must have full citizenship if democratic liberties are to be assured for any Americans during these crucial days.

## Point of Order

By ALAN MAX

King Carol decreed one minute of silence throughout Rumania when the Soviet Union took back Bessarabia. Carol's order came as no surprise to the common people of the country for the King had been decreeing silence for them all their lives.

The days of the big fat campaign contributions are gone forever. Wendell Willkie will not accept a penny more than \$5,000 from an individual. This means that instead of giving 50 Grand, a Wall Street banker now has to trim his contribution down to a measly 5 G's. The rest is sent in to the Willkie campaign in \$5,000 lots by the banker's wife and each of his eight race horses.

Willkie says "the more small contributions, the happier I shall be." In that case, he ought to be the happiest candidate alive. For hundreds of thousands of us have been regularly contributing our mite every month to the Willkie crowd—and haven't been getting much electric current for it either.

Personal experience equips Mr. Willkie to be especially understanding of the problem of the farmers—that is, those "farmers" who, like Mr. Willkie, own at least five farms apiece and work on none of them.

Trying to assure its readers that Wendell Willkie is truly a "People's Candidate" after all, the N. Y. Times sneers that "no doubt the Daily Worker will have no trouble proving that the telegrams (for Willkie at the G.O.P. Convention) were all paid for by Wall Street, which has in its pocket a promissory note from Mr. Willkie in which he binds himself, if elected, to do everything that Wall Street may call for."

Not all all. Willkie is undoubtedly one man from whom Wall Street does not consider it necessary to secure a promissory note.

Mr. Roosevelt has turned over to the Federal government a library at Hyde Park to house the state papers and other documents of his public life. Will the library have an Ancient History Department—for these speeches of 1936-38 attacking the economic royalists?

Thomas Jefferson would have written in his grave if he could have heard what the Christian Fronters tried to do with his memory at their "victory" celebration on July 3. In a rabid, anti-Semitic speech, Father Brophy shouted that the "Declaration of Independence was framed by Christians for a Christian people exclusively." But when Jefferson wrote in the very first sentence of the Declaration about "the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God," this certainly was no seal of approval for any special sect or dogma. In fact, Jefferson's writings are filled with scorn for those who would impose their own creed upon others.

According to a photo in the Times, the first batch of British refugee children, mainly 10 and 12-year-olds, arriving in the New World, include (reading from left to right) "Jeremy James; the Earl of March and the Hon. N. C. Gordon Lennox, sons of the Duke of Richmond; Lord Edward Cavendish and the Hon. George St. Lawrence Ponsonby, sons of the Earl of Bessborough." This is all very well. But when are the wealthy sponsors of the refugee children going to get around to worrying about some of the kids of the Dukes of Sweat and Toil?

Of the compulsory military training bill, General Pershing says: "Such a measure, in my opinion, would promote democracy by bringing into intimate contact and on an equal footing young men in all walks of life." In the spirit of "democracy," the pay would be \$5 a month. Question to Pershing: How do you put young Joe America, worrying about whether his folks back home are starving, on an "equal footing" with Marshal Field, Jr., whose papa's monthly income is said to be \$166,866.66?

Have you ever listened to Raymond Gram Swing, the radio commentator, who tries to sell his audience cigars and war at the same time? What this country needs is a good five-cent cigar without a news broadcast.

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## WASHINGTON'S BLITZKRIEG by Gropper



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## WHAT'S WHAT ABOUT THE WAR Questions and Answers

by WILLIAM Z. FOSTER

Question. Please tell me just what is the "fifth column," as the expression is being so widely and contradictorily used?

Answer. The term "fifth column" originated in the recent Spanish civil war. General Franco had four columns of troops in the field, and he called hidden fascist sympathizers in Republican Madrid his fifth column. Thus the true significance of the fifth column was originally and still remains, that of a body of fascists and other agents of big capital working secretly or openly to destroy democracy and liberty.

In France, Holland, Norway, Belgium, Poland and other countries overrun by Nazi Germany the fifth column elements were not chiefly the relatively small number of German fascists there, but the great native bankers and industrialists and their agents in these countries. Such people, already wholly or partly fascists themselves, were quite unwilling and incapable of defending the democracy and even the national independence of their countries against fascist attack, whether from without or within. The experiences of the past few years showed that these reactionaries, fearing democracy and wanting fascism, did not hesitate to betray their countries' most basic interests to Hitler. They were Hitler's real fifth column.

It was in the spirit of the fifth column that the whole British and French policy of "appeasing" Hitler was carried out. Chamberlain and Daladier, representing great bankers and landlords most of whom were avowed admirers of Hitler and Mussolini, deliberately built up Hitler so that he would destroy European democracy. In the first place the Soviet Union. These people, representing the same social class as Hitler and entertaining the same basic views, did not want to fight him. Their aim was to make an agreement with him to defeat the advancing revolution. In France this fifth column treason went so far as to develop widespread sabotage of the national defenses, and to perpetrate actual treachery to the armies fighting in the field. The betrayal by these French fifth column politicians and military leaders has now come to its climax in the selling out of France by the near-fascist Petain-Weygand Government. Leopold of Belgium, who also sold out his country to Hitler, was of this same general fifth column stripe. And in Great Britain during the next weeks we will see similar fifth column treason tendencies further developed among the fascist-minded ruling class.

From all these experience of the past several years we know where to look for the fifth column in the United States. It is not in the Com-

munist Party, the trade unions, youth movement, farmers' organizations, or other progressive movements of the people. These masses will remain unshakably loyal to their country and to democracy. To apply the hated term "fifth column" to such democratic strata is a hideous distortion and an insidious attack. It is a smoke screen behind which to make reactionary attacks upon labor. The real fortress of the fifth column is in Wall Street. Here are the malignant forces that furnish the main drive towards reaction and fascism in the U. S. The great bankers and their hangers-on are the real threat to American peace and democracy. The sixty families are the backbone of the fifth column in the U. S. They are far more dangerous to the freedom and welfare of the American people than are the Bund and other fascist organizations that openly endorse Hitler and Mussolini. The true aim of their so-called fight against Hitlerism is to fasten a similar tyranny upon the masses in this country.

Question—Will you elaborate upon Dimitroff's recent statement that this "is not only an imperialist war but also bears within itself the tendency of turning into a war against the Land of Socialism?"

Answer—In the present world situation, with the general crisis of capitalism rapidly deepening and with the world anti-capitalist forces (Soviet Union, colonial liberation movements, oppressed national minorities, and revolutionary workers) becoming stronger, imperialist world policy is based on two major elements: first, the struggle amongst the great capitalist powers for the redivision of the earth; and second, the struggle of world imperialism against the world anti-capitalist forces, especially the Soviet Union. These two elements of world imperialist policy are inextricably interwoven and operate simultaneously; with the tendency for the struggle against the Soviet Union to become the decisive force in determining the policies of world imperialism.

During the several years prior to the outbreak of the present war all the great imperialist states, acutely alarmed at the spectacular progress of the U.S.S.R., were busily plotting the destruction of this first Socialist government. Germany and its axis partners, Italy and Japan, were openly organizing for an anti-Soviet war. Great Britain and France (with the acquiescence of the United States) were systematically strengthening Hitler and

encouraging him to attack the U.S.S.R. In this pre-war period, therefore, the anti-Soviet orientation was central in world imperialist policy. But the other element—the antagonisms between the imperialist powers themselves—was also active and it finally resulted in the outbreak of the war, after skillful Soviet diplomacy had broken down the erstwhile capitalist plans for an anti-Soviet war and had for the time being, at least, blocked Hitler's "drang nach Osten."

The present war is the expression of the antagonism between the imperialist powers. But even as these states war ruthlessly against each other they retain a keen consciousness of the potential danger of the Socialist success of the Soviet Union to their world system of exploitation. No matter how deeply these imperialist powers are embroiled with one another they are always seeking ways and means of ganging up against the U.S.S.R. and trying to solve their problems at the latter's expense. Which is only to say that the hostility of the world of capitalist against the land of Socialism overshadows all the antagonisms within the capitalist system itself.

Question—What about the twelve billion dollars of repudiated war and post-war loans? Shouldn't we demand the Western Hemisphere colonial possessions of European powers in payment of their loans?

Answer—These great loans are economically uncollectable in the main, and have been such from the outset. American high tariff laws prevented their payment in goods, and the countries concerned could not pay them in gold. Attempts to collect them by political pressure would only increase international war tension. The small investors who bought considerable amounts of these loans were victimized by the big bankers who floated them.

The Communist Party is opposed to the proposal to liquidate the war loans by having the islands and other colonial possessions of Great Britain, France and Holland in this Hemisphere turned over to the United States. Such a procedure would violate the right of self-determination of the peoples concerned, and it would bring no financial relief to the small bondholders. If and when Bermuda, the Bahamas, and many other islands and colonies in the Americas are detached from their present empire connections, then it should be left to the peoples involved to decide what their future national status should be. They must not be hawked about the market as collateral for war loans, nor be fed into the maw of expanding American imperialism.

## Letters From Our Readers

### Appeasement at Home and Abroad Furthers Growth of Fascism

New York City.

Editor, Daily Worker:

It was a United States Attorney who on June 24, concluded a meek and apologetic "Prosecution" with praise for the "good, sound American principles" of the anti-Semitic, brawl-provoking Christian Front. And then ten days later, on Independence Day, at a rally held in Brooklyn to celebrate the acquittal of most of the accused Fronters, a press report had a speaker having said: "The Declaration of Independence was framed by Christians for a Christian people exclusively."

Thus we see how the Poison Ivy of American fascism is continuously developing its twigs and branches of religious and political intolerance and racial prejudices.

The Roosevelt Administration which, together with the British and French reactionaries contributed a large share for making the world safe for fascism, must feel very proud of the results of its encouraging and forbearing attitude toward organizations and individuals that stand for everything that is the opposite of all that the Declaration of Independence and the Bill of Rights were meant to establish and maintain: Freedom, peace, tolerance and opportunity for all without regard to race, color or religion. A.G.D.

### Inspired By Soviet Workers Example, Pledges Intensified Activity

Bronx, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

After reading the articles in the Daily Worker on June 29 and July 1, regarding lengthening of their work-week by the Soviet workers in order to strengthen the defenses of their Socialist Fatherland, I resolved to immediately lengthen my own work-day and work-week for the Communist Party.

To act as a dynamo and thereby get as many comrades as possible in my Assembly District to do the same; to cut down on my vacation time this year; to improve my own quality of work in the Party and to assist in the improvement of our collective work in the Assembly District.

Like the Soviet workers, during this period, we must

make greater sacrifices for our Communist Party and our class. Every Party member, every friend of the Party should do the same. In this, I want to be Volunter No. 1. J. M., 2nd A. D.

### Thorough Study of Imperialism Needed

New York City.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The Class on Imperialism organized in the 8th A. D., Manhattan, wishes to express our appreciation to the Communist Party and the teacher who gave us the opportunity to study the fundamentals of Imperialism.

With great enthusiasm, we urge the formation of many more such classes for the strengthening of our work and the development of more leaders—so that others will be able to have the opportunity to understand fully just what this imperialism really means, and how we, as the working class, can best work to defeat it.

CLASS ON IMPERIALISM,  
8TH A. D., MANHATTAN.

### Finds Daily Worker Features Highly Interesting and Valuable Reading

Editor, Daily Worker:

I want to express my great pleasure on reading Oakley Johnson's recent article on the brotherhood of the French and American revolutionists. I think the message contained in this article was one of timely importance, and it was expressed without tiresome clichés and worn-out language. It will be a great advantage for the "Daily" to publish many articles in such a style which encourages the reader's interest. Keep it up.

A word, also, on Allan Max's column. His satire is quite delicious. I particularly enjoyed the business of "people"-ing Mr. Willkie into a corner with a duncecap. This kind of writing is more effective than thousands of equally accurate but dull phrased words, and is easy to remember and pass on to others.

The kind of writing exemplified by these two writers makes reading the "Daily" a pleasure. F. W.



## La Belle France

By MIKE QUIN

The lady of love and laughter  
Walks dangling her key as she goes  
And inviting the eyes of the passer  
With tight-fitting open-work hose.

More famous than all the cathedrals,  
More talked of than Rheims or Louvain,  
La Belle is the widow of conflict—  
By-product of centuries of pain.

Her eyes are the smoldering ashes  
Of homes where disaster has spread.  
She laughs like the ring of new silver.  
Her lips are the blood of the dead.

The toast of man's decadent pleasure;  
The boast of the tourist who tell  
Of hungry but beautiful ladies,  
And passion as burning as hell.

A dollar, a franc or a shilling,  
Or any old coin that will clink.  
An hour of love, then you leave her  
To wash off your kisses with drink.

Come citizens, tourists, invaders;  
Her kisses and embrace are renowned.  
For she tries to pretend you're the husband  
They killed and laid under the ground.

Come heed to the lure of cheap loving,  
And follow the sway of her hips.  
She will try to pretend you're the lover  
Whose blood was as red as her lips.

I've heard all the learned excuses,  
Their lewd explanations are neat.  
But hunger and death are the reasons  
She rattles her keys on the street.

When hatred and tears have grown sour,  
And life becomes dirty and cold,  
And the death of your man has been measured  
In so many pieces of gold.

When all that you love has been buried,  
And bankers lay claim to the rest.  
When factories shut down and you're hungry  
They'll still pay a price for your breast.

God damn all the men who make money  
From wars and their pompous conceit,  
Then starve the poor loveless women  
To selling themselves on the street.

Not this time, La Belle, let us teach them  
The steps to a new kind of dance  
That will stamp out their madness forever,  
And free the great spirit of France.

Not prostitutes pounding the pavement,  
Nor factory girls grieving in slums,  
Nor futures of misery and sorrow  
All drilled to the beat of the drums.

This time make it fists and hot anger  
And doom to the merchants of death,  
That France may belong to its workers  
And workers may sing with their breath.

## Radio Theatre Ends Season With Helen Hayes, 9 P.M.

Radio Theatre concludes season with Helen Hayes in "To the Ladies" over WABC at 9 tonight. . . Coolidge String Quartet in concert from Library of Congress over WJZ at 7:30 tonight.

**SHORTWAVE BAND**  
Radio Center, Moscow 6:00 P.M. Italian  
7:34 Megacycles, 7:00 P.M. Spanish 7:54  
15.84 Megacycles, 8:00 P.M. English 9:40  
12.86, 15.84 Megacycles  
Voice of China—Chungking, China—9:30  
P.M. 15.2 Megacycles  
**DIAL READINGS**  
WABC 570 Kilocycles, WJZ 680, WOR 710, WJZ 760, WNYC 810, WABC 840, WEN 810, WNY 1180, WINS 1180, WNEH 1260, WEVD 1350, WNYX 1350, WJLB 1460, WHOM 1450, WNEW 1560, WQXR 1560.  
**DAILY PROGRAMS**  
**MORNING**  
6:45-WNYC—News  
6:55-WABC—Woman's Page of the Air  
6:55-WNYC—Around New York Today  
With Hal Halpern  
7:15-WNYC—A.P. News  
7:30-WNYC—Masterwork Hour  
WEAP—Condensed News  
WJZ—Woman of Tomorrow  
WQXR—Composers Hour  
7:45-WABC—News About Women  
7:45-WABC—News  
7:55-WNYC—The Shopper  
8:00-WJZ—Breakfast Club  
8:45-WNYC—U.P. News  
10:00-WNYC—"Just Like a Woman"  
WMAA—News  
10:10-WNYC—Chamber Music Trio  
10:30-WNYC—Dance Music  
10:45-WNYC—Safe Music  
11:00-WNYC—News and the Latest Food  
Prices  
WABC—Short, Short Stories  
WQXR—Hour of Request Music  
WNYC—Trans-Radio News  
11:10-WNYC—Father Knows Best  
Suggests  
11:15-WNYC—Musical Comedy Memories  
11:45-WNYC—"You and Your Health"  
**AFTERNOON**  
12:00-WNYC—Midday Symphony  
WNYC—Health Quiz  
WNYC—U.P. News  
12:15-WNYC—David Lowe, News of Stage  
and Screen  
WMAA—News  
12:30-WJZ—U.P. News  
12:30-WNYC—Trans-Radio News  
WNYC—"The Inquisitive New Yorker"  
WJZ—National Farm and Home  
Hour  
12:45-WABC—Condensed News  
1:00-WNYC—Musical Perseus Alarms  
1:05-WNYC—Organ Recital From Temple  
of Religion at the Fair  
1:15-WMAA—Easy Aces  
1:30-WNYC—Artist Recital  
WMAA—Dance Music  
2:00-WJZ—Dance Music  
WNYC—News  
2:05-WNYC—Opera Hour  
2:15-WNYC—U.P. News  
2:30-WNYC—Radio Garden Club  
WJZ—Navy Band Concert  
2:45-WNYC—Trans-Radio News  
3:00-WNYC—Dance Music  
3:15-WABC—Dance Music  
3:45-WNYC—News  
WEAP—"Vic and Sade"  
3:55-WNYC—Federal Housing Authority  
Program  
4:00-WJZ—Club Matinee  
WNYC—Four Stripes at 4  
WQXR—Music of the Moment  
WABC—Columbia Lecture Hall  
4:30-WQXR—Hour of Symphony Music  
WJZ—Romance and Yea  
4:00-WMAA—News  
WJZ—Dance Music  
WNYC—Metropolitan Review With  
Ralph Barton

## A Powerful Weapon for Peace

### Press Conspiracy Of Silence On Foster Pamphlet

By Bruce Minton

The New York Times, and other newspapers that maintain a staff of book reviewers, will as a matter of routine receive a copy of William Z. Foster's "Capitalism, Socialism, and the War." (Workers Library Publishers, 3 cents). But none of these reviewers will even mention it—first because a pamphlet that sells for three cents is not worthy of their notice, and then because Foster's 10,000 words will not be considered "important."

That is where the reviewers are wrong. And their mistake is a great deal more momentous than their daily errors of judgment, expressed so pontifically and with such assurance. Because in ignoring this pamphlet—and so many like it that are printed and published by Workers Library Publishers—these reviewers give themselves away. They show all too clearly their lack of any historical sense. They put themselves down once and for all as men and women who do not realize the significance of what is happening around them, or the meaning of the world-shattering events through which they, and we, are living. They turn their backs on logic, on science. They are as foolish as the "intellectuals" who sneered at Lenin, or who were bored by William Lloyd Garrison, or who tapped their foreheads knowingly when Tom Paine's name was mentioned.

### Clarity of Thought And Style

"Capitalism, Socialism and the War" is not a long work. What it says is said quite briefly, without much flourish, in language that can be grasped by people who have never had "fine" educations. It is easily absorbed so that its sense can become part of a man's thinking and can influence his thinking. Nowadays, many books are written that receive long and involved comments from the reviewers, and many articles, short and long, dramatic and dull, that are intended to explain this maze of events which affects us all so profoundly. But if there were a scale that could weigh the quality of thought and the value of what is expressed by



WILLIAM Z. FOSTER

words, all these books that are considered with such pursing of lips and ponderous frowns, and all these articles in the fine magazines and great newspapers, could be placed on one side of the balance, and the three-cent pamphlet by William Z. Foster could be placed on the other side, and the pamphlet would outweigh them all.

For the pamphlet has a value that in twenty years will be apparent even to the learned critics. It makes sense. Out of the welter of confusion that comes from deliberate falsification, from the fear of seeing clearly, from the willingness to be blind, a pamphleteer looks at reality, at things as they are, and applies to them his scientific instrument of analysis. He states certain truths as one would state a mathematical formula, and then proceeds to add up these truths. The result is a sum of all the

parts, the correct sum that anyone can check merely by adding the parts together for himself. That is simple enough, if one does it. We learned in school that if one adds two apples and a pound of hope, when one comes to eat the result, there are only two apples to eat. The reviewers and their subjects always get a different answer—but when it comes to eating, there are still only two apples.

### Irrefutable Facts Outlined

William Z. Foster is a Marxist. He puts down in logical order what he knows and what we all know. In the pamphlet, "Capitalism, Socialism and the War," he states certain facts that anyone who will take the trouble to think things through will admit are exact. He puts down, for example, all the proof, in front of us for the last twenty years, that

### Author Provides Keen Analysis Of Vital Issues

something is wrong with a society which does not allow men readily to eat enough or raise a family decently or live securely. He puts down proof that this society drives constantly toward war, ruining the lives of millions, destroying the best in men and women. And he also records another society, organized into socialism, that bears a different fruit—peace, and security, and a higher standard of living. He asks why is this so, what are the forces involved in each society, which forces are strong and healthy and therefore in the end bound to be victorious, which forces are sick and decaying and dying, and therefore assuredly doomed?

The facts, the analysis, lead to only one answer. It would be interesting to show this pamphlet to the reviewers who will not mention it and ask the questions: "Where is this wrong? Can you disprove a word of it? In all the books and articles you puzzle over, is there one that so clearly and so satisfactorily confronts the problems that must be confronted? Is there one that can be followed with better assurance that it will lead to meaningful action?"

### The Alibis Of Reviewers

Reviewers won't answer the questions. They will seek refuge in the hundreds of books and articles written to give reasons why the sum of the parts cannot ever be arrived at, to explain why the correct answer must always be considered false.

"Capitalism, Socialism and the War" sells for three cents. It is even more important because of that. Anyone can get it and read it and attempt to refute it. If it can't be refuted, if it is right, then it can be handed to other people who want a solution to problems afflicting us all. And then more of this pamphlet can be bought to hand to friends, and to friends of friends.

A pamphlet is a powerful instrument. William Z. Foster has provided another weapon in the growing army being built by Workers Library Publishers, an army in which the names of Lenin and Stalin, Browder and Ford can be found along with that of Foster. The latest addition is a potent one. It is there for us to use!

## News in World Of the Stage And Screen

Rita Hayworth has been selected to play the feminine role in Columbia's "Before I Die" (temp. title), the new Douglas Fairbanks, Jr. starring picture, which is being produced and directed by Ben Hecht, with Fairbanks also serving as Associate Producer. The former authored both the original story and the screen play. The story concerns itself with the serio-comic regeneration of the four principal characters in the picture.

"The Lady in Question," will be the final release title of the Columbia production which carried the working title, "It Happened in Paris." Brian Aherne is the star in this important feature, with Rita Hayworth as the feminine lead. Others playing prominent roles include Evelyn Keyes, Glenn Ford, Irene Rich, Dorothy Burgess, Fern Emmett, Edward Norris, Curt Bois, Hamilton MacFadden, Louis Adlon and Allen Marlowe.

The next in the series of Lemp family pictures being produced by Warner Bros., following completion of "Four Mothers," will be "Four Families," scheduled for production in 1941. "Four Mothers" goes before the cameras on July 15th, under the direction of William Keighley.

"My Love Came Back," the new Warner Bros. comedy co-starring Olivia de Havilland and Jeffrey Lynn, with Eddie Albert, Jane Wyman, Charles Winninger, Spring Byington, William Orr and Ann Gillis topping the superting cast, opens Friday at the Strand. Kurt Bernhardt directed. The screen play was written by Ivan Goff, Robert Buckner and Earl Baldwin, from a story by Walter Reisch.

WQXR—Recorded Voice of a Famous Opera Singer  
10:00-WMAA—Fox Theatre Amateur Hour  
WEAP—Condensed Hour  
WABC—Guy Lombardo and His Band  
WQXR—Candlelight Concert by WQXR Orchestra  
10:15-WNYC—"Who Knows"  
WJZ—Dance Music  
WNYC—We Cover New York  
10:30-WABC—Dance Music  
WNYC—Concert Orchestra  
WJZ—Adventures in Reading  
10:45-WNYC—U.P. News  
WABC—We All Sang With Genevieve Rose  
11:00-WABC—A.P. News  
WNYC—Trans-Radio News  
WJZ—U.P. News  
WABC—Sports Time  
WNYC—Cinderella Hour  
WQXR—Concert Hall of the Air  
WQXR—Just Music  
11:30-WABC—News  
12:00-WMAA—News  
WNYC—Music to Read By ERIC MUYKE

## Big Incomes in Hollywood, But Mostly for Producers

By Charles Glenn

HOLLYWOOD.—Warner Brothers were figuring for a while to roadshow "All This and Heaven Too," but due to the kick from the public, roadshow plans will be dropped as of July 13. . . Reason is, theater managers kicked that audiences would be that reluctant to put out the double price for tickets. . . The movie industry is readying a campaign to slap at radio if boxoffice doesn't wake up. There will be trailers telling of how boring and nerve-racking new broadcasts can become. The same trailers will suggest plenty of escape via the reel route. . . Former employees of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer are steaming over L. B. Mayer's salary as publicized recently. For the fiscal year ending in 1939, L. B. showed a take of 700 grand. . . And M-G-M has been going through a layoff period because of "war conditions." . . Screen Office Employees Guild is now talking negotiation with Columbia Pictures. No progress reported.

Out-of-town correspondents for the trade papers usually give some sort of glimpse of what the outlanders are doing and thinking these days. We've reported before they won't go for war stuff. Irving Hoffman, New York correspondent of The Hollywood Reporter, informs that at a recent showing of the "Mortal Storm" at the New York Capitol more of the audience hissed at the more obvious part of the war message.

### How to Wreck A Star

A recent discovery of Hollywood's in John Hubbard's last picture was "Turnabout," still showing in the first run houses. There have been plenty of kicks from theater managers because the public "doesn't understand." In the play, a fantastic thing, Hubbard and his screen wife, Carole Landis, reverse positions. He becomes his wife and she vice versa. The continuity of the story must be followed from the start, but many people coming in the middle of the picture have left in disgust. It's costing young Hubbard plenty of fans, and press agents at Hal Roach Studios are in a terrific mess. They've got to explain the whole thing.

### Kanin Comes Through

The plugs for "My Favorite Wife" from several desks have impelled us to see one of the year's finest comedies. Cary Grant is, of course, remarkable in his comedy. But the

## Soviet Edition of Washington Irving's Tales

Among the new publications of the State Children's Book Publishing house were a selection of tales by Washington Irving, from the Sketch Book, Tales of a Traveller and The Alhambra. The book is charmingly illustrated by the noted Soviet artist Bekhteyev. The translator is M. Gershenson.

For those Moscow kids who have not yet gone out to the country, and for days when, for whatever reason, no outings have been arranged, two children's clubs on wheels have been organized this year to bring fun to the stay-at-homes, right in their own courtyards. The "clubs" are housed in trucks and carry film projectors and screens, puppet stages, victrolas, portable playground apparatus and varieties of games. The staffs include gymnasts, game leaders, special instructors and musicians.

### Pass Tax on To the Public

About 150 exhibitors got together here recently to beef about the new "offensive defensive" taxes. They came to the conclusion they wouldn't take up the tax, but would pass it on to the public. Further, they decided that they wouldn't be alone. So they're petitioning Washington to stick the tax on the lowest five cent amusement games in the penny arcade. They don't want to lose business to the amusement parks and concessions. . . Their plan is not to better "national defense," but merely to see to it that taxes are placed everywhere so the competition will be less tough. Nice guys.

The Cardenas government in Mexico has been presented with a petition from the labor unions to tax American movies twenty-five per cent. Reason is, of course, that American movies have taken over Mexico and have cut many movie workers there out of jobs. The planned tax would force the producers to make pictures in Mexico with Mexican employees and would stop a taxless invasion of the Mexican field. Which is good enough. But it has the desk men in a dither. . .

## Stadium Night Honors Memory of Gershwin

Thursday evening, July 11, the anniversary of the death of George Gershwin will be dedicated to the music of George Gershwin at the Lewisohn Stadium. Alexander Smallens will conduct. Oscar Levant will be piano soloist in the Concerto and Rhapsody in Blue, and guest conductor in the Cuban Overture. Anne Brown, Todd Duncan and Eva Jessye Choir will assist in excerpts from the opera "Porgy and Bess." A "first performance" on the program will be Gershwin's three piano preludes, orchestrated by Lewis Raymond.

The Three Preludes were composed by Gershwin in the latter part of 1925 and early in 1927. Raymond who orchestrated them, was born 1906 in Newark, had his initial professional experience as a theatre organist, later became pianist for the Paramount-Publix theatres. His first studies in composition were with Felix Deyo. Later he worked under Bernard Wagenaar with whom he is still studying. His compositions range from popular songs and transcriptions to orchestral works of a serious nature.

### Flagstad to Appear Tonight

Kirsten Flagstad will be added to the list of eminent Stadium soloists when she appears at the Stadium for the first time tonight, as soloist on an all-Wagner program with the Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra under the baton of Edwin McArthur. This will also be Mr. McArthur's Stadium debut. Mme. Flagstad will sing Elsa's Dream from "Lohengrin," "Dich Theure Halle" from "Tannhauser," the Liebestod from "Tristan and Isolde," and the Immolation Scene from "Goetterdaemmerung." The purely orchestral numbers will consist of the "Tannhauser" Overture, the Good Friday Spell from "Parsifal," the Prelude to "Meistersinger," and the Ride of the Valkyries.

Returning to the podium Tuesday night, Edwin McArthur will introduce four American works to the Stadium audience: Philip James Bret Harte Overture, Cadman's American Suite for Strings, Gilbert's Riders to the Sea, and Taylor's Circus Day. After the intermission he conducts four popular numbers: Overture to "Mignon" of Thomas, "Afternoon of a Faun" and "Pete" of Dubussy, and Liszt's Les Feudales.

American works again form the first half of the Wednesday program with the Tchaikovsky Fifth Symphony scheduled for the second part. The program opens with his first Stadium performance of Elgar's Whithorne's Sierra Morena, followed by Barber's Adagio for String Orchestra. Charles Martin Loeffler's Poem and Vittorio Giannini's Opera Ballet.

Frieder Weissman, who made his Stadium debut last summer and who is now conductor of the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra, takes up his baton on Friday. For his opening concert he has chosen the Copland Concerto Grosso No. 8 in G major, playing the piano part and conducting at the same time, Dubussy's La Mer, and the Beethoven "Eroica" Symphony.

### Spanish Program On Saturday

For Saturday night Frieder Weissman has planned a gala Spanish and South American program, with the assistance of the Brazilian singer, Elsie Houston, and the Uruguayan guitarist, Julio Martinez Oyangueren.

Spain is represented by the following works: Arbois' arrangements of three numbers from Albeniz's "Iberia," two dances of Granados with guitar solo, and the dances from De Falla's "Three Corners Hat."

The Argentine is represented by three indigenous dances—written by Garcia Estrada, by Troland-Bandini, and by Lopes-Buchardo—and by a work of Florio M. Ugarie.

Brazil is represented on the program by "Batuque," a Negro Dance by Lorenzo Fernandez and a group of Indian-Brazilian songs by Hector Villa-Lobos, sung by Elsie Houston. Miss Houston is a great friend of Villa-Lobos and many of his folk songs are dedicated to her.

### At Stadium Tonight

The death on June 3, of Platon Kerzhentsev, was mourned throughout the Soviet Union. Kerzhentsev entered the Bolshevik Party in 1904 and played a devoted part in the revolutionary struggle. He was a noted Marxist scholar. At the time of his death he was one of the editors of the Soviet encyclopedias. Among his books were his biography of Lenin and his "History of the Paris Commune."

A. A. Bogomolets, director of the Ukrainian Institute of Experimental Biology and Pathology, has announced that an anti-cancer serum has proved a valuable prophylactic against relapses where patients had been operated on for cancer. The records show a much greater percentage of complete post-operative cures among patients taking the serum treatment than among other patients.

Kirsten Flagstad, who will make her Stadium concert debut tonight.

## 'Point of Order' Hits Spot With Columnist Woody

Alan Max's "Point of Order" is one of my favorites. Don't know the number of it. I caught him the other day at his desk, up to his neck in communique, speeches, and he was a looking over them, and he was a scribbling a bunch of marks, cubes, cross-hatches, shades, shadows, curly cues, doo dads, worms, snakes, ovals, circles, x's, and stuff with his pencil. I snatched the scribbling, and looked at it. It was better than most cubist art you see. It was a master piece. Down right unconscious. Something from way back. I don't know what you'd call it. But a big crowd of Worker Workers gathered around us, and said it was plumb accidental. Well, I got Alan down and made him sign it. He signed: To Woody from Alan Max. Best Wishes. I brung it home and glued it onto a piece of card board. For the moment I'm short of a name for the work. It's one of them things you can hear, see, smell, taste, touch and look at, but you can't understand. I'll bring it to some of the gatherings and display it so you can see it. For the moment, I've took the liberty of naming it "Roosevelt Speech" by Alan Max.

## Noted Negro Pianist And Singer Available Through IWO Bureau

Wen Talbert, noted Negro pianist and leader of the Wen Talbert Choir recently heard at the Lewisohn Stadium, and Louise Burge, noted Negro contralto, are now available for bookings by the I.W.O. Concert and Lecture Bureau, 80 Fifth Ave., N. Y. C., 16th floor.

Miss Burge, who is accompanied by Mr. Talbert, was recently hailed by music critics for her splendid rendition of the solo parts of William Grant Still's ballad, "They Lynched Him On a Tree," when it was performed recently at the Lewisohn Stadium. Music critics in New York acclaimed her as "the music find of the 1940 season."

## American Negro Theatre to Open Variety Show Here

The American Negro Theatre has taken over the Library theatre of the West 135th St. Library and is offering a variety show there on July 10 at 8:30. One of the "scenes from great plays" is "Bury The Dead."

The American Negro Theatre is a semi-professional group and intends to become an incorporated company of actors to play both in New York and out of town. The group will offer productions staged by professional directors.

### TO PERFORM "ITALIAN SUITE"

The novelty promised to the Stadium by the Ballet Theatre will take the form of Anton Dolin's celebrated "Italian Suite" to music of Ciaconas which will have its American performance at the Lewisohn Stadium on Monday and Tuesday evenings, July 15 and 16. Nicholas de M. will design the new production.

### GLASPELL BOOK IN BRAILLE

"The Morning Is Near Us," Susan Glaspell's best-seller published by Stokes, has been transcribed into Braille by the Cloverbrook Home for the Blind.

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